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SESSIONS OF THE

General Executive Committee.

The General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has held its annual sessions as follows :

	President.	Secretary.
1—1870, Boston, Mass.	Mrs. Dr. Patten,	Mrs. W. F. Warren,
2—1871, Chicago, Ill.	" Bishop Kingsley,	" W. F. Warren,
3—1872, New York City.	" Bishop Clark,	" W. F. Warren,
4—1873, Cincinnati, O.	" L. D. McCabe,	" R. R. Meredith,
5—1874, Philadelphia, Pa.	" F. G. Hibbard,	" J. H. Knowles,
6—1875, Baltimore, Md.	" F. A. Crook,	" R. R. Battee,
7—1876, Washington, D. C.	" F. G. Hibbard,	" W. F. Warren,
8—1877, Minneapolis, Minn.	" Dr. Goodrich,	" L. D. Williams,
9—1878, Boston, Mass.	" W. F. Warren,	" J. T. Gracey,
10—1879, Chicago, Ill.	" G. M. Steele,	" L. H. Daggett,
11—1880, Columbus, O.	" W. F. Warren,	" J. T. Gracey,
12—1881, Buffalo, N. Y.	" F. G. Hibbard,	" A. Lowrey,
13—1882, Philadelphia, Pa.	" W. F. Warren,	" J. T. Gracey,
14—1883, Des Moines, Ia.	" L. G. Murphy,	" J. T. Gracey,
15—1884, Baltimore, Md.	" W. F. Warren,	" J. T. Gracey,
16—1885, Evanston, Ill.	" I. R. Hitt,	" F. P. Crandon,
17—1886, Providence, R. I.	" W. F. Warren,	" J. H. Knowles,
18—1887, Lincoln, Neb.	Miss P. L. Elliott,	" J. T. Gracey,
19—1888, Cincinnati, O.	Mrs. Bishop Clark,	" J. T. Gracey,
20—1889, Detroit, Mich.	" I. N. Danforth,	" J. T. Gracey,
21—1890, Wilkes Barre, Pa.	" W. F. Warren,	" J. T. Gracey,
22—1891, Kansas City, Mo.	" J. J. Imhoff,	" J. T. Gracey,
23—1892, Springfield, Mass.	" W. F. Warren,	" J. T. Gracey,
24—1893, St. Paul, Minn.	" Wardwell Couch,	" J. T. Gracey,
25—1894, Washington, D. C.	" A. H. Eaton,	" J. T. Gracey,
26—1895, St. Louis, Mo.	Miss E. Pearson,	" J. T. Gracey,
27—1896, Rochester, N. Y.	Mrs. S. L. Baldwin,	" J. T. Gracey,
28—1897, Denver, Col.	" C. D. Foss.	" J. T. Gracey,
29—1898, Indianapolis, Ind.	" C. D. Foss,	" J. T. Gracey,
30—1899, Cleveland, O.	" C. D. Foss,	" J. T. Gracey,
31—1900, Worcester, Mass.	" C. D. Foss,	" J. T. Gracey,
32—1901, Philadelphia, Pa.	" C. D. Foss,	" J. T. Gracey.

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Woman's Foreign Missionary Society,

1901.

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MINNEAPOLIS BRANCH—Mrs. I. W. Joyce, Mrs. L. P. Hauser, Mrs. A. L. McKinstry.

TOPEKA BRANCH — Miss M. Watson, Miss Ella Watson, Mrs. F. D. Baker.

PACIFIC BRANCH — Mrs. Charlotte O'Neal, Mrs. Z. L. Parmelee, Miss Josephine Marston.

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Editor, MRS. PH. ACHARD-JACOBY, Roselle, Ill., DuPage County, P. O. Box 96.

Children's Missionary Friend.
Editor, MRS. O. W. SCOTT, Bridgewater, Mass.

The Study.
Editor, MRS. M. S. BUDLONG, Rockford, Ill.

THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

General Executive Committee.

Park Avenue Church, Philadelphia, was the family home of the General Executive Committee for one week, from October 30 to November 6. This family was composed of thirty-nine members, officers, delegates and Literature Committee, a small but representative company, coming from very many States, from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast. Forty-two missionaries, a few representing the General Missionary Society, but the majority, who were the Society's workers, were present, to give information, and from varied and wide experiences to awaken enthusiasm.

The Sunday School room in which the Committee held its sessions was convenient, and beautifully decorated with flags and emblems, and each day fresh flowers were placed upon altar and tables. The entire church was admirably adapted to such a meeting, while Dr. McMullan, the genial pastor, and the able and attentive Committees did everything in their power for the comfort and convenience of all in attendance. The days were crowded from nine in the morning until ten at night. The distances in the city from the church, where many were entertained, were great, but for convenience, dinner and supper were provided in the church, and there was a fellowship of kindred hearts about the board. The weather during the days was clear and mild, not a drop of rain to dampen either mortal bodies or spirits.

Mrs. Bishop Foss, the President, opened the meeting on Wednesday morning, and the usual routine of business was taken up, such as seating the delegates, calling roll and appointment of committees, the presentation of reports by the Corresponding Secretaries of the branches, accompanied with the financial statement of the year's work. It is a moment of supreme interest when this announcement is made. This year marked the largest amount received in the Society's history, with an advance of twelve thousand dollars over the previous year. The Twentieth Century Thank Offering, which had reached the magnificent sum of over four hundred thousand dollars, was a surprise and cause for great rejoicing.

The evening of Wednesday was given to a communion service, conducted by the Presiding Elder and several ministers, and also to addresses of welcome by the Pastor, and Associate Secretary of the Philadelphia Branch.

Each day seemed more crowded than the previous day, business every morning, the delightful devotional hour from two to three, from which one could not afford to be absent without losing that spiritual atmosphere which was life-giving, and the hour with the missionaries and home workers, from three to four, and committees nearly every moment between times.

One afternoon was held a beautiful and touching memorial service for those who during the year had gone to "see the King in His beauty." One from Mexico, one from Africa, one from India. It seemed eminently appropriate that Mrs. Dr. Butler, who had helped her husband to found our missions in India and Mexico, and who was one of the founders of the Society, should preside on this occasion. Tender and loving reference was made to the life and character of all these who had fallen. Mrs. Huston spoke for Miss McKibben, Mrs. Crandon for Mrs. Zentmire Brewster, and Mrs. Clarke, a life long friend, for Miss Thoburn. There were a number of others who gave testimony, and voiced the loss of the society, and of the church, of the college, and the work in India by Miss Thoburn's death. Never did the hymn, "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" seem sweeter than when sung by that body of women from nearly all lands, the hymn that Miss Thoburn called for when dying. By action of the Committee it will hereafter be *Isabella Thoburn College*, not Lucknow College. With sorrow of heart we drop from the list of missionaries the name of Isabella Thoburn, which has stood at the head for thirty-two years in our Annual Report, also from the list of the North India missionaries. It will be a satisfaction to all to look upon her face in this Annual Report.

The Anniversary on Sunday evening was an inspiring occasion. The address of Dr. Oldham on Woman's Condition and Woman's Work was clear, able and helpful. The report of the year was a record of advancement in every step, unless an exception be made in the falling off in subscriptions to some of our periodicals. Reports from the foreign field were inspiring, because of the open doors, but depressing for neither laborers nor money sufficient were at hand to supply the needs. It was a sorrow that Mrs. C. S. Winchell, the Corresponding Secretary of the Minneapolis Branch, on account of ill-health, leaves the Board of Secretaries. For many years she has most efficiently filled the position, and this is the first rent for many years. Mrs. Bishop Joyce was elected to fill her place. Mrs. Joyce comes to the position with experience, having visited nearly all our Oriental missions.

Very appreciative resolutions of sympathy were adopted for Mrs. McKinley, and fervent prayers offered for her. And our beloved Mrs. Parker, widow of Bishop Parker, was tenderly remembered in her sorrow and loneliness.

A very hearty resolution of thanks was adopted to Mrs. Dr. Henry Foster of Clifton Springs, for her generous gift of a partially endowed bed at the Sanitarium to the Society for the use of its missionaries.

The appropriations for the coming year amount to the sum of three hundred and eighty-eight thousand dollars. The next session of the Committee will be held in Minneapolis.

Mrs. Foss gave a most delightful reception to the delegates, missionaries, and visitors on Saturday afternoon from four to six, and it was a most enjoyable occasion.

The friends in the city extended an invitation to visit the Methodist Hospital, the Home for the Aged and the Methodist Orphanage, institutions of which the Methodism of the city is justly proud. While the Committee did not visit them in a body, yet many did as individuals and were enthusiastic concerning them. Thus closed one of the most important and enjoyable sessions of the Committee.

OFFICIAL MINUTES.

GENERAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

THIRTY-SECOND SESSION.

FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS,

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1901.

The Thirty-second Session of the General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened in the Park Avenue Church, Philadelphia, on Wednesday morning, October 30, 1901.

The president, Mrs. C. D. Foss, was in the chair and conducted the opening devotional services announcing the hymn "O, for a thousand tongues to sing," and reading the sixty-first Psalm. Mrs. S. L. Keen, corresponding secretary of the Philadelphia Branch, led in prayer, after which hymn 198, "Give to the winds thy fears," was sung.

After seating of secretaries and delegates at tables, the secretary, Mrs. J. T. Gracey, called the roll of delegates and the following responded:

New England Branch: Mrs. L. A. Alderman, Mrs. C. H. Hanaford, Mrs. C. D. Woods.

New York Branch: Mrs. H. B. Skidmore, Miss Ella P. Chase, Miss Jenny M. Bingham.

Philadelphia Branch: Mrs. S. L. Keen, Miss C. J. Carnahan, Mrs. P. P. Strawinski.

Baltimore Branch: Mrs. E. B. Stevens, Mrs. S. D. La Fetra, Miss Florence Allen.

Cincinnati Branch: Mrs. E. T. Cowen, Mrs. A. J. Clarke, Mrs. P. C. Wilson.

Northwestern Branch: Mrs. F. P. Crandon, Miss Harriet L. Kemper, Mrs. G. G. Soule.

Des Moines Branch: Mrs. M. S. Huston, Mrs. W. B. Thompson, Mrs. I. C. Hodson.

Minneapolis Branch: Mrs. I. W. Joyce, *Mrs. A. L. McKinstry, Mrs. L. P. Hauser.

Topeka Branch: Mrs. M. Watson, Miss Ella Watson, Mrs. F. D. Baker.

Pacific Branch: Mrs. Charlotte O'Neil, Mrs. Z. L. Parmelee, Miss Josephine Marston.

Columbia River Branch: Mrs. A. N. Fisher, Mrs. M. E. Whitney, Mrs. N. A. Laue.

Secretary of German Work: Mrs. P. Achard.

Literature Committee: Mrs. R. H. Pooley, Miss E. Pearson, Mrs. A. H. Eaton.

The President made a brief opening address. Mrs. Daily, chairman of the decoration and arrangement committee, presented a gavel to the committee, made from the altar-rail of the old chapel of Park Avenue Church. Mrs. Foss accepted the gavel with thanks.

Mrs. J. H. Knowles was appointed assistant secretary.

Dr. McMullen, pastor of the church, was introduced to the committee. The following committees were announced:—

Committee on Publication: New England Branch, Mrs. C. H. Hanaford; New York Branch, Miss Jennie M. Bingham; Philadelphia Branch, Miss C. J. Carnahan; Baltimore Branch, Mrs. S. D. La Fetra; Cincinnati Branch, Mrs. A. J. Clarke; Northwestern Branch, Miss Harriet L. Kemper; Des Moines Branch, Mrs. W. B. Thompson; Minneapolis Branch, Mrs. L. P. Hauser; Topeka Branch, Miss Ella Watson; Pacific Branch, Miss Josephine Marston; Columbia River Branch, Mrs. M. E. Whitney.

Committee on Missionary Candidates: New England Branch, Mrs. C. D. Woods; New York Branch, Miss Ella Chase; Philadelphia Branch, Mrs. P. P. Strawinski; Baltimore Branch, Miss Florence Allen; Cincinnati Branch, Mrs. P. C. Wilson; Northwestern Branch, Mrs. G. G. Soule; Des Moines Branch, Mrs. I. C. Hodson; Minneapolis Branch, Mrs. A. L. McKinstry; Topeka Branch, Mrs. F. D. Baker; Pacific Branch, Mrs. Z. L. Parmelee; Columbia River Branch, Mrs. N. A. Lane.

Committee on By-Laws: Committee of the Whole.

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*The name of Mrs. A. L. McKinstry, first reserve in Minneapolis Branch, was substituted for that of Mrs. W. N. Jameson, who was unable to be present.

Mrs. Crandon asked that Mrs. Nind, Miss Baker, Dr. Gloss and Mrs. Pooley be seated with the Northwestern delegation. Mrs. Skidmore asked for Mrs. Jewell with the New York Branch; Mrs. Alderman for Miss Gilman; Mrs. Keen for all missionaries of the Philadelphia Branch present; Mrs. Stevens for Miss Gallimore, Miss Lewis, and the Associate Secretary, Mrs. Hill; Mrs. Cowen for Dr. Emma Scott and Miss Bonafield; Mrs. Huston for Miss Pearson, Miss Perkins, Miss Evans, and Miss Henkle, *en route* for India. These requests were all granted.

The President then called for petitions and memorials. Mrs. Hanaford, of the New England Branch, presented the following:

Believing that a uniform name for our young people will facilitate the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society,

Resolved, That we, the members of the New England Branch, in annual meeting assembled, recommend the General Executive Committee to adopt the name of Standard Bearers, with the badge and plan of work now in use in the New England Branch.

ANNIE W. PHINNEY,
Clerk of the Corporation of the New England Branch.

Miss Watson moved that this memorial be referred to a special committee of three, to be appointed by the chair. The motion prevailed.

At the session of the committee, held in Worcester, Mass., notification was given of a change in the Constitution, of Section 1, Article 5, to insert "Literature Committee" after "Corresponding Secretary and two delegates." Mrs. Stevens, secretary of Baltimore Branch, moved that this change be adopted, which motion was carried, making the Literature Committee members of the General Executive Committee.

It was moved and carried that a committee of three be appointed, by the chair, on resolutions.

The reports of Home Work were called for by the President, and presented by the secretaries as follows: New England Branch, Mrs. Alderman; New York, by Mrs. Skidmore; Philadelphia. by Mrs. Keen; Baltimore, by Mrs. Stevens. Mrs. Stevens, after reading her report, said that Miss Stephens and Sooboonagam sailed from New York for India on that day, and Mrs. Nind was asked to lead in prayer, for their special protection on their homeward journey. The Cincinnati Branch was reported by Mrs. Cowen; Des Moines, by Mrs. Huston, and Minneapolis by Mrs. Winchell, who for years has served as secretary, but who has recently resigned, Mrs. Joyce having been elected to the position. Topeka Branch was presented by Miss Watson; Pacific, by Mrs. O'Neal, and Columbia River by Mrs. Fisher.

The report of German work was presented by the secretary, Mrs. Achard. The treasurer's reports were called for, and presented as follows:

Amounts received from October 1, 1900, to October 1, 1901.

New England Branch		$ 46,979.61
New York	"	65,901.00
Philadelphia	"	43,190.49
Baltimore	"	15,999.36
Cincinnati	"	57,013.48
Northwestern	"	102,612.48
Des Moines	"	41,393.50
Minneapolis	"	13,133.06
Topeka	"	21,324.28
Pacific	"	13,461.00
Columbia River	"	5,787.02
		$426,795.28
Amount received for 1900		414,531.33
Advance		$ 12,263.95

This report was received with rejoicing and the committee united in singing the doxology.

The reports of home work were accepted, and ordered printed.

The hour of 9 A. M. was settled upon as the time for opening of the session, and 12:15 as time for adjournment.

An invitation was extended to the committee by Mrs. J. H. Chubb to visit the Old Ladies' Home some time during the session; and from Mrs. C. W. Buoy, to visit the Methodist Orphanage.

A motion to extend the time was carried. The following persons were introduced: Mrs. Dr. Butler, of Mexico and India; Mrs. Neeld and Miss Gallimore, of India; Miss Perkins, of Burma; Mrs. Jewell, Dr. Gloss, Miss Gilman, Miss Wells, and Miss Wilson, of China; Li Bi Cu, of China, now a student in the Woman's Medical College, Philadelphia; Miss Watson, Miss Dickerson, and Miss Alling, of Japan; Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Osborne, of the Missionary Training School, Brooklyn; Rev. Dr. Ernsberger and Miss Jacobson, of India. Miss Hodgkins represented the literature, after which announcements were made. A motion to adjourn prevailed. The doxology was sung, and the benediction pronounced by Rev. W. B. Osborne.

SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS,

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31.

The General Executive Committee convened at nine o'clock, with the president in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by the secretary of the Columbia River Branch. The roll of delegates was called, the minutes of the previous day's session read and approved.

Mrs. Cowen, secretary of the Committee of Reference, presented a report. Many items, she said, were considered by the committee during the year. The resignation of Mrs. J. T. Gracey, as editor of the *Study* had been received, to take effect July 1, and had been acted upon. By special request of the committee, Mrs. Gracey consented to continue in her position until the session of the General Executive Committee.

A memorial gift of five thousand dollars was reported by the New England Branch from the children of Mrs. Almirah Peirce, the money to be appropriated to Darjeeling, India. Many appeals came to the committee for help from the foreign field which could not be granted except, in cases of special emergency, from balances in the treasury. Miss Heaton and Dr. Lyon were returned to their stations, the former to Japan, the latter to China. The following missionary candidates were accepted: Misses Grace Woods, Carrie Foster, Elizabeth Wells, Nainette Henkle, Emma Stockwell, Margaret Edmonds, Jessie Alice Marriott, Annie Winslow, Fannie A. Bennett, Dr. Agnes W. Edmonds and Susan Collins. It was voted not to receive annuities under $500, nor to pledge more than five per cent.

A letter of greeting was read from H. R. Galloway, Kate L. Ogburn, Agnes M. Edmonds and Christiana Williams, missionaries of the Society, dated San Francisco, October 22, upon the eve of their departure for China.

Mrs. Keen, secretary of the Constitutional Publication Committee, presented her report, which was accepted and referred to the Publication Committee.

Miss Walden, publisher, presented a report of the year's business. The report showed the subscriptions to the various periodicals as follows: *Woman's Missionary Friend*, 21,447, showing a decrease of 1,273; the *Children's Missionary Friend*, 25,106, a decrease of 879; the *Frauen-Missions-Freund*, 3,992, an increase of 146; the *Study*, 31,232, an increase of 2,906. The report was accepted and referred to the Committee on Publication.

Miss Hodgkins presented a report of the *Woman's Missionary Friend*. The report was accepted and referred to the Publication Committee.

Mrs. Scott, editor of the *Children's Missionary Friend*, presented a report of the paper, which was accepted and referred to Committee on Publication.

Mrs. Fisher referred to the fact that the General Missionary Board had discontinued their children's paper and the Society has their sanction to introduce the *Children's Missionary Friend* in the Sunday schools.

Mrs. Achard presented a report of the German paper, which was accepted and referred to the Publication Committee.

Mrs. Pooley, chairman of the Literature Committee, presented the first report of the new committee and gave a list of the literature prepared during the year. She exhibited some specimens of literature from Japan and read a letter from Miss Baucus concerning the publication for the Society, under her supervision, of Christian literature in Japan. The report was referred to the Publication Committee.

Miss Walden presented the financial report of the Literature Committee. Referred to Constitutional Publication Committee, which committee was empowered to refer to Publication Committee.

Miss Carnahan of the Philadelphia Branch, gave an address on the experiences of a Branch secretary of literature.

The president announced the following committees : On Memorials, Mrs. Hanaford, Mrs. Thompson and Miss Kemper; on Resolutions, Mrs. La Fetra, Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Parmelee.

The following appointments were made for reporting the proceedings of the committee in the church papers : *New York Advocate*, Mrs. J. T. Gracey ; *Zion's Herald*, a representative of the New England Branch; *Northwestern Advocate*, Miss Baker ; *Michigan Advocate*, Mrs. Soule ; *Pittsburg Advocate*, Mrs. Wilkinson ; *Central Christian Advocate*, Miss Pearson ; *Western Advocate*, Mrs. Cowen ; *Baltimore Methodist*, Mrs. Hill ; *California Advocate*, Miss Marston; *Midland Advocate*, Mrs. Nind ; *Philadelphia Methodist*, Mrs. Shaefer ; *Methodist Advocate Journal*, Mrs. Wilson; *Epworth Herald*, Mrs. Scott.

Mrs. Crandon presented for consideration a resolution which had been adopted by the Reference Committee, as follows : In order to meet the traveling expenses of officers, delegates and missionaries to the General Executive meetings, and other legitimate expenses in connection with the general work of the Society, it was voted that a sum equal to one and one-half cents per member, not including young women's and

children's societies, shall be paid by the Branches annually to the general treasurer of the Society. The resolution, after some discussion, was adopted.

Resolutions were adopted, giving Mrs. H. B. Skidmore (general treasurer) authority to give quit claim to certain property of the Society in Iowa and Singapore, Straits Settlements.

The following, relative to the property in Iowa, was adopted:

First. WHEREAS, on the 25th day of February, A. D. 1892, the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church by its treasurer, Harriet B. Skidmore, did execute and deliver unto Cyrus F. Atwood a warranty deed to the following described premises, to wit: The northwest quarter of Section 17, Township 99 north, Range 31 west, of fifth principal meridian, Iowa; and,

WHEREAS, doubts have arisen as to the validity of the transfer of said land as aforesaid, owing to a lack of proper showing of authority on the part of said Harriet B. Skidmore to execute said conveyance; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That said Harriet B. Skidmore, treasurer as aforesaid, be, and she is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute on behalf and in the name of said Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, a quit claim deed of said premises to said Cyrus F. Atwood, quit claiming, releasing and confirming unto said Cyrus F. Atwood all right, title and interest of Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church in and to said premises, and to affix thereto the seal of said corporation, and to do and perform all and every act and deed necessary and proper to be done in order to perfect the said title in said Cyrus F. Atwood.

Second. WHEREAS, at a meeting of this Committee held in Cleveland, October 31st, 1899, a resolution was adopted authorizing and empowering Benjamin Franklin West, on behalf of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, to sell certain premises to which the title was vested in him for a certain term of years, as trustee for the said Society, and to execute a deed for the transfer of the same; and,

WHEREAS, doubts have arisen as to the authority of the said Benjamin Franklin West to execute such a deed, unless the said Society join in the execution of the same; therefore, be it

Resolved, That Harriet Bond Skidmore, the treasurer of said Society, be and is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to join on behalf and in the name of said Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church in a deed of said premises, namely: All that piece or parcel of land situated in the district of Singapore Town, in the Island of Singapore, in the Straits Settlements, bounded on the north by Middle Road, on the east by Church street (now called Waterloo Street), on the west by Lease No. 1,403, and on the south by Lease No. 1,405, estimated to contain an area of about eight thousand five hundred and forty square feet; to the Financial Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the Straits Settlements, assigning and confirming unto the said Financial Board all right, title and interest of the said Society in and to the said premises, and to affix thereto the corporate seal of the Society;

and also that the said Harriet Bond Skidmore be, and she is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute on behalf and in the name of said Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, such a covenant of indemnity as may be necessary to the proper transfer of said premises, and to affix thereto the Corporate Seal of said Society.

The following persons were introduced :—Miss M. O. Allen, of Folts Institute ; Miss Sparkes, Dr. Emma Scott, Miss Evans and Miss Wilson, of India ; Miss Elsie Wood, of South America ; Miss C. Spencer, of Japan ; Miss McAllister, of Africa ; Miss Shockley and Miss Wells, China; Miss Lewis, Korea ; and Mrs. Winslow and Henkle, under appointment to India.

The president, Mrs. Foss, extended an invitation to the Committee for a reception at her home, 2043 Arch street, on Saturday afternoon, from four to six o'clock.

Mrs. Pooley represented the literature, after which the Committee adjourned by singing the doxology.

THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS,

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1.

The General Executive Committee convened at nine o'clock. The devotional exercises were conducted by members of the New England Branch. After calling the roll, the minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The president called for reports from the official correspondents. Mrs. Huston read a report of work in Africa ; Mrs. Crandon reported Bulgaria ; Mrs. Alderman, North China.

The president called attention to a former rule, limiting each report to ten minutes, and asked if the Committee desired to have it enforced. Mrs. Watson then moved that the secretaries be limited to that time, which motion prevailed. The reports were continued and that of West China was given by Mrs. Crandon, and Foochow by Mrs. Stevens.

Mrs. O'Neal moved that, in view of the great interest of the foreign reports, all statistics be left out. The motion carried.

Mrs. Fisher gave a report of Hing Hua Conference. Mrs. Achard, superintendent of German work, gave a report from Germany and Switzerland.

Miss Allen, acting president of Folts Institute, located at Herkimer, N. Y., was introduced and spoke in the interest of the institution, which

is a training school for home and foreign missionaries. She stated that the property had been donated to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in 1898, free of all debt, and that during the past year Mr. Folts had donated fifty thousand dollars towards an endowment fund. The property is now valued at one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars. Missionaries have gone out from the school to every one of our mission fields except Africa and the Philippine Islands, and representatives have been in attendance from China, Bulgaria and Japan.

Miss Hodgkins, who had visited the institution recently as a representative from the New England Branch, spoke of the excellent educational work being done by the school, of its home-like character, and spiritual influences.

A resolution was presented by Miss Chase, asking that the Society provide for an exhibit of literature at the Northfield Conference. After a discussion as to the desirability of having the Society's literature on exhibition at other Conferences, Mrs. Keen offered the following substitute which was adopted :

Resolved, That we ask the Literature Committee to prepare a plan by which a creditable exhibit of the literature of the Society may be made at all conventions and public gatherings where such exhibits are desirable ; also to arrange for representatives to attend to these exhibits, either in person or by proxy ; and to present such plan to this body before adjournment.

Mrs. Stevens moved that the name of General Treasurer be inserted in the list of officers on the first page of the annual report, or, wherever the list appears, the name of General Treasurer be given. The motion carried.

The official correspondent for Korea asked that Mrs. Knowles read her report. An invitation was extended to the Committee by Dr. J. A. Lippincott, of the Methodist Hospital, to visit that institution. The invitation was received with thanks.

A communication was read by the secretary from Mrs. Dr. Foster, of Clifton Springs, making the statement that she had partially endowed a missionary bed in the Sanitarium for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, in memory of her late husband, Dr. Henry Foster, founder of the Sanitarium, and that said room would be available to the missionaries of the Society who came home broken in health, but expecting to return to their fields. The document stating the conditions of the gift was read to the Committee. This most generous provision for the missionaries of the Society was accepted by a rising vote, and the secretary was instructed to write a letter of thanks to Mrs. Foster, with the signatures affixed of the officers and corresponding secretaries. The Committee empowered the secretary, Mrs. J. T. Gracey, to attend to all the detail of arrangements.

The Literature was represented by Miss Butler. The following were ntroduced to the Committee: Mrs. Dr. Baldwin, president of the New York Branch, for many years a missionary in China; Mrs. Dr. Gamewell, Miss Steer and Miss Bonafield of China; Miss Waidman of South America; Miss Lawson of India; Miss Lida Smith of Japan; Dr. Cutler of Korea; Miss Strow of the New York Depot of Supplies; Miss Butcher, of the Northwestern Depot of Supplies; Mrs. Wilson, treasurer of the Philadelphia Branch; and Mrs. Dr. Stokes of Ocean Grove.

Announcements were made and the Committee adjourned by singing the doxology.

FOURTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS,

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2.

The General Executive Committee convened at the usual hour, with the president in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by the delegates of the Cincinnati Branch. After the calling of the roll the minutes were read, corrected and approved. Mrs. Knowles was called on and reported the Thank-Offering Meeting, held in Park Avenue Church, Friday evening. Mrs. Foss presided, and the address was delivered by Rev. H. E. Foss, pastor of the Arch Street Church. Mrs. C. S. Winchell, chairman of the Thank-Offering Committee, presented a report showing the receipts from the various Branches in the three years, as follows

New England Branch		$ 18,800.00
New York	"	30,137.00
Philadelphia	"	28,228.00
Baltimore	"	5,783.66
Cincinnati	"	26,000.00
Northwestern	"	67,848.77
Des Moines	"	20,357.16
Minneapolis	"	7,486.93
Topeka	"	10,000.00
Pacific	"	9,629.12
Columbia River	"	2,000.00
Total		$226,260.64

The gift of Folts Institute at Herkimer, N. Y., valued at $125,000, and an additional gift of $50,000 during the past year for endowment makes the grand total for the three years $401,264.64.

Places assisted by the offering :

India—Lucknow College, Meerut Girls' School, Madras Orphanage, Poona High School, Bombay Boarding School, Baroda Orphanage, Cawnpore School, Jubbulpur building, Hyderabad Home, Khandwa building, Calcutta Lee Memorial, Darjeeling Memorial, Jubbulpur Deaconess' Home, Sironcha Dormitories, Malaysia Singapore Deaconess' Home, Penang School and Home.

China—Foochow Memorial Hospital, Kucheng Home, Ming Chiang Hospital, Chung King Sanitarium, Foochow Orphanage, Sieng-u Home for Bible-women, Ing Chung School and Home, Hing-Hua School Building.

Japan—Hirosaki School, Sendai Home for Missionaries, Yokohama, Maude Simons Memorial.

Korea—Seoul Home for Missionaries, Pyeng Yang Hospital and Home.

Mexico—Girls' Schools, Miraflores School ; South America, Montevideo, Rosario.

Italy—Rome, Crandon Hall, Via Garibaldi School.

The report was received with great enthusiasm, after which the committee united in a song of praise. Mrs. Fisher stated that the Thank-Offering of the Columbia River Branch exceeded three thousand dollars, but only two thousand were reported for this fund.

The following memorial was presented by the Northwestern Branch :

Resolved, That we memorialize the General Executive Committee to recommend the adoption of a badge which shall be the insignia of royal membership in the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society—one of the largest, if not *the* largest, organization of women in the world.

MRS. R. E. CLARK,
MRS. PROF. SOPER,
MRS. DR. JOSEPH BERRY,
Committee.

The paper was referred to the Committee on Memorials. Reports of standing committees were called for, and Miss Ella Watson presented a partial report of the Publication Committee. It was voted to consider item by item. The first resolution referred to the efforts to secure enlarged subscriptions to the periodicals. Mrs. Eaton said the resolution ignored the Branch agent of literature, or agent of periodicals. After some discussion it was voted to refer the resolution back to the committee.

The second was a recommendation to have Miss Thoburn's picture appear in each Branch report. This was adopted. It was also moved and carried to insert her picture in the General Annual Report. The next item recommended that twenty-five thousand copies of the Abridged

Annual Report be issued, paid for by the Branches, and distributed, and sent to each pastor as far as practicable. This was adopted.

The next, recommending a seal for the Society, was referred back to the committee. The next, referring to Japanese literature, was referred back to the committee.

Mrs. Wilson, secretary of the Missionary Candidate Committee, gave a partial report. Nine candidates were presented, represented by the secretaries from whose Branches they came, and were accepted, viz., Georgia Weaver and Henrietta W. Robins from New York Branch; Pauline E. Wescott, Katherine Ethel Jackson and Mabel K. Seeds of the Northwestern Branch; Alice W. Kurtz and Anna B. Slate of the Philadelphia Branch; Dr. Edna L. Beck and Marion C. Morgan of the Pacific Branch.

Mrs. Huston referred to the clear and satisfactory character of the report as given by the committee.

Mrs. La Fetra presented the following:

WHEREAS, The honored and beloved President of the United States has recently been taken from us by a most cruel and tragic death, and, whereas, the whole church, as well as the nation, has hereby sustained an almost irreparable loss; therefore,

Resolved, That the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in Executive Session assembled, most deeply deplore this national calamity, while we magnify the wonderful grace of God, which so sustained him in his triumphant death, that he lifted the whole world towards God, and convinced the nations that our faith is a veritable reality. We extend our loving sympathy to that lonely heart at Canton, the one above all others so sorely stricken, assuring her of our continued love and prayers. We recognize with joy that domestic life everywhere has been made more beautiful and sacred by the touching example set before us by President and Mrs. McKinley.

These resolutions were adopted by a rising vote, after which the committee united in singing "Nearer My God, to Thee," and Mrs. Knowles was called upon and led in prayer for Mrs. McKinley.

The official correspondence was called for, and Mrs. O'Neal read the report of the Bengal and Burma Conferences, and Mrs. Huston read the report of the Bombay Conference. Mrs. Cowen made a statement in regard to the work in the North India Conference.

A motion prevailed to extend the time to allow Mrs. Winchell to give the report of the Malaysia Conference.

Mrs. Nind asked the privilege of a few minutes, which was granted her. She then called Miss Walden to the front, and, after making a short address appreciative of her devoted services for the Society for so many years, presented her with some tokens from a few of her friends. Miss Walden made a feeling reply, and a verse of "Blest Be the Tie that Binds" was sung.

The following were introduced: Rev. F. P. Parkin, pastor of Grace Church; Rev. C. M. Boswell, corresponding secretary of the City Church Extension Society; Rev. S. W. Gerhett, pastor of Centenary Church; Mrs. Stickney, one of the trustees of Folts Institute; Mrs. Badley of India; Miss Mulliner, formerly of Mexico; Miss Palacios, music teacher in the school at Pueblo, Mexico; Miss Rothweiler, of Korea; and Miss Anna B. Slate, accepted missionary candidate.

Miss Carnahan represented the literature; Miss Alling, the missionary exhibit; Mrs. Shaefer made the announcements for Sabbath services, and Miss Walden called attention to the matter of railroad arrangements.

The committee adjourned after singing the doxology, and benediction by Rev. Mr. Parkin.

FIFTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS,

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4.

The General Executive Committee convened at the usual hour with the president in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by the delegates from the Northwestern Branch. The secretary being absent, Mrs. R. H. Pooley was appointed secretary *pro tem*, and called the roll.

A motion prevailed to defer the reports of the standing committees. The official correspondence was called, and Miss Watson presented the report of the North West India Conference. The secretary having arrived, the minutes were read, corrected and approved. Mrs. La Fetra moved that the resolution adopted concerning the death of President McKinley be forwarded to Mrs. McKinley by the secretary. This was carried. Mrs. Knowles was called upon and reported the anniversary which was held in the Park Avenue Church on Sabbath evening, at which the president, Mrs. Foss, presided. There was present a very fine audience. The Scriptures were read by Mrs. Bishop Joyce, and prayer was offered by Mrs. Mary C. Nind. The annual report of the Society was presented by the secretary, Mrs. Gracey. Dr. Oldham, one of the assistant secretaries of the General Missionary Society, made a clear and comprehensive address on the condition of heathen women, especially in India. He said he hoped the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society would make the cry of half a million annually for its work. After the address, Mrs. Nind asked for a collection, which amounted to $79.05. It was considered a very enthusiastic anniversary.

The reports of standing committees were called. The Publication Committee made a partial report.

The first item, referred back to committee on Saturday, was presented and adopted. Miss Walden explained that this plan was to make it possible for agents of the *Friend* to put a copy occasionally in the hands of persons who cannot afford to take the paper, and to secure new subscribers. After discussion as to whether the extra copy should be given for every ten new or old subscribers by consent, the committee was allowed to so alter the resolution as to have it fully understood that the free copy shall preferably be given to a new subscriber. The resolution was adopted.

The third resolution referred to the *Quarterlies* appearing in the *Friend* in the same order as formerly. Mrs. Eaton pleaded for a change with some other Branches, so that all might have an even chance to report annual and quarterly meetings. Miss Hodgkins said the change could be made, but we must order it by unanimous vote. After considerable discussion the resolution was adopted.

The fourth resolution, concerning Miss Walden, was adopted; also the fifth, expressing thanks to Mr. A. S. Weed for auditing accounts.

The sixth, referring to the salaries of editors, was adopted.

The seventh, recommending the issuing of six thousand General Annual Reports with maps, was adopted. Miss Walden explained that the extra three thousand copies could be had for little extra expense, if each Branch would do its part in ordering; also that while the insertion of the maps would be extra, these so increase the value of the reports as to make them pay. The resolution was adopted.

The eighth, recommending that the Zenana paper report be printed in the General Executive Report, adopted.

The ninth, of appreciation of Miss Baucus's work in Japan, adopted.

The tenth, in regard to a crest, which was referred to Committee on Memorials, also one to take into consideration a badge for the Society, adopted.

Dr. Gamewell, of Peking, China, was introduced, and received with applause. Said Dr. Gamewell: "There never was a time when we should endure and undertake greater things for God. Not a matter of China, India, or *anywhere* else, but *where the line is hard pressed*, there we must rally our forces. China is in her crisis, and we must meet the call. May God put it in your hearts to do great things for China."

The official reports were called for, but Mrs. Joyce made the motion that the reports be postponed to hear from Dr. Oldham. The motion was carried, and Dr. Oldham was presented and made an address, after which the committee united in singing "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed." The official reports were taken up, and South India

Conference was presented by Mrs. Stevens, who at the close gave an account of the conversion of a priest in Madras through the influence of Elizabeth, the Bible-reader. Mrs. Crandon read the report of work in Italy. The hymn "Oh, for a faith that will not shrink" was sung.

Miss Pearson presented the resolution which had been referred to the Literature Committee.

WHEREAS, There is a growing demand for the exhibition and sale of our literature at the various public gatherings and conventions held yearly throughout the country,

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of Literature within whose borders the convention is held to have the entire charge of all such exhibitions and orders; the expenses to be borne by the Branch where the convention meets. When, as frequently occurs, the Epworth League or Student Volunteer or other convention is held outside of our own country, this duty shall belong to the standing literature committee; the expenses to be met from the treasury of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Adopted.

Mrs. Pooley explained that only samples and orders are to be on exhibit, and there should be returns from sales, coming into the treasury of the Branch having it in charge.

Mrs. Huston asked if the names of the incorporators of the Society should not be voted upon. The matter was referred to a special committee; Mrs. Skidmore, Mrs. Cornell, Mrs. Knowles, were appointed that committee, to present these names later. Mrs. Huston moved that Mrs. R. E. Clark and Miss Walden be elected railroad secretaries. The motion was carried. Mrs. Stevens, secretary of the Baltimore Branch, moved that the secretary send a letter of sympathy to Mrs. E. W. Parker of India, which motion was carried by a rising vote.

Mrs. Huston gave notice that Miss Pearson, whose time had expired by limit of term, declined re-election to the Literature Committee, and asked that a meeting of the secretaries and delegates west of the Mississippi meet in the Finance Committee room to consider the appointment of some one to take Miss Pearson's place. Mrs. Eaton, a member of the committee, elected for two years, resigned before expiration of time, and Mrs. Foss asked the secretaries and delegates of the eastern section to meet to consider the appointment of one in her place. Mrs. Skidmore asked that the secretaries be excused at twelve o'clock in order to meet Mr. Gamewell. Request was granted. Mrs. Keen moved the following modification in by-law on page 212 of thirty-first annual report, third line—"and in case her relations to the society are harmonious, her salary for the first year shall be $350, if it be inexpedient for her to return at the rate of $300. If her health demands her to remain in this country, the second year she shall receive $300, and if her detention at home is

necessary for a longer period, her case shall be in the hands of her Branch for adjustment." This modification was adopted.

A very pleasant little episode occurred at this point. Mrs. Pooley, chairman of the Literature Committee, came forward, and after a short address, presented to the secretary a Japanese bird containing $25 in gold, as an expression of appreciation of twenty-five years of service in connection with the literature of the Society, the occasion also being the birthday of the secretary.

Reports of Sabbath services were called for. Mrs. Mary C. Nind reported an enthusiastic service at Grace Church, where a collection of $267 for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society had been given. Miss Alling, of Japan, spoke at East Allegany; large number of young people at service. Thirteen new members secured, and one subscriber to the *Woman's Missionary Friend.* Collection $15.50. Miss Evans, of India, reported an evening service at West York street, with a collection of $42, and a fine opportunity for organization. Miss Sparkes of India reported an evening service at Mariners' Bethel, with eleven new members and a collection of $5. Miss Perkins, of Burma, reported from Twelfth street that the minister was very sympathetic with the cause. Thirteen new members were secured. Miss McAllister, from Africa, was at Zoar Church (colored). A collection of $12.79 was taken, and seven names given as the nucleus of an auxiliary. Mrs. Gamewell of China, was at the Nineteenth Street Church. Several members were secured, number not given. The collection amounted to $8.05. Mrs. Jewell, of China, was at Ridge Avenue and secured seven new members, one subscriber to the *Friend*, and a collection of $10. Miss Butler was present at Fletcher Church, secured thirty-six new members, and a collection of $10. Miss Shockley, of China, was at Pitman Church, about 150 present. A collection of $3.00 was received and six new members. Miss Danforth, formerly of Japan, was at Park Avenue Church in the afternoon, and in the evening at Memorial Church.

At the close of these reports, the Literature was represented by Miss Frances Baker. Mrs. Dr. J. M. Reid of New York, Rev. C. W. Bickley, president of the Home Missionary Society, of Philadelphia, Miss Ryerson, for four years a missionary in Jerusalem among the lepers, Miss Bennet and Miss Woods under appointment to India, were introduced to the committee. The missionary exhibit was represented by Miss Steere.

The committee adjourned with singing the Doxology.

SIXTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS,

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5.

The General Executive Committee convened at the usual hour, with the president in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by the delegates from the Des Moines Branch. The roll was called by Mrs. Knowles. Reports of committees were called for, and the publication report was presented by Miss Watson:

1. That special amounts for special work, such as Bible-women, etc., be inserted in the general report; also, the stations of missionaries. Adopted.

2. Relating to the periodicals and the Society's appreciation of the editors, etc. Adopted.

3. Appropriating $100 to the Literature Committee for use during the year. Adopted.

4. To print three thousand copies of prayer calendars. Adopted.

5. That there be a uniform plan and name for children's work.

This item was referred to a committee to prepare such plan and name, to be presented at next executive committee. The committee consists of Mrs. O. W. Scott, Miss Kemper and E. J. Watson. On motion of Mrs. Huston, the name of Mrs. Harrison was added to the committee.

The final report of the Committee on Missionary Candidates was presented, and the report adopted as a whole. (See Report.)

On motion of Mrs. L. P. Hauser, the name of Miss Christie Anna Williams, of Duluth, Minn., was added to the list of accepted delegates.

The special committee on memorials reported through Miss Kemper:

WHEREAS, The name "Young Woman's Foreign Missionary Society" is generally recognized,

Resolved, That we recommend that those branches preferring this name, continue its use; but, where a different name is desired, we recommend that that of "Standard Bearers" be adopted. We also recommend that the plan of assigning special missionaries, to be supported by the young women, be adopted as far as practicable. And, further, that the badge of the church pennant be worn, when desired, by the members of all the young woman's societies.

Resolved, That we consider the adoption of a badge by which the members of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society may recognize each other desirable; also a crest of the same design to be used on all the literature and publications of the society; and that a committee consisting of Miss Hodgkins, Mrs. R. E. Clark and Miss Carnahan, be appointed to select a design for the same, to be presented to the different Branches, and at the next Executive session.

After a very free and full discussion, it was voted to divide the resolution. The question of the name was then discussed fully. Mrs. Huston moved that the item be amended to read "Standard Bearers of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society." The amendment was accepted, and the resolution adopted as follows :

WHEREAS, The name "Young Woman's Foreign Missionary Society" is generally recognized,

Resolved, That we recommend that the Branches preferring this name continue its use, but, where a different name is desired, we recommend that of "Standard Bearers of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society." Adopted.

Second. We also recommend that the plan of assigning special missionaries to be supported by the young women be adopted as far as practicable. Adopted.

Third. That the badge of the church pennant may be worn by the members of all young woman societies. Adopted.

Fourth. That we consider the adoption of a badge by which the members of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society may recognize each other, also a crest of the same design to be used on all the literature and publications of the Society, desirable; and that a committee consisting of Miss Hodgkins, Mrs. R. E. Clark and Miss Carnahan be appointed to select a design for the same, to be presented to the different Branches, and to the next meeting of committee. Adopted.

The committee on board of managers presented the following names for the corporation for 1901. Accepted by vote. Harriet B. Skidmore, Esther E. Baldwin, Mary J. Anderson, Sarah K. Cornell, Mary L. Denler, Helen Emens, Annie R. Gracey, Anna W. Gibson, Ordelia M. Hillman, Ellin J. Knowles, Caroline Leaycraft, Louise H. North, Mary A. Priest, Mary M. Queal, Susan A. Sayre, Jennie B. Spaeth, Fannie J. Sparkes. Committee: H. B. Skidmore, E. J. Knowles, S. K. Cornell.

An act to amend the act of incorporation was read by the secretary and adopted by vote.

By motion of Miss Watson, the reports of Official Correspondents were deferred to give place to important miscellaneous business.

Mrs. Crandon called attention to the notice given one year ago to change Article XI. of constitution so that it should read :—

This constitution may be changed at any annual meeting of the General Executive Committee by a three-fourths vote of those present and voting, notice of the proposed change having been given at the previous annual meeting; but Article X. shall not be changed except with the concurrence of the General Conference of the Methodist Church. By a rising vote this change was ordered made.

Modification was made in item 14, in instructions to missionaries. Mrs. Thompson of the Des Moines Branch presented the follow-

ing resolution on auditing the expenses of delegates to the General Executive Committee, which was adopted:

Resolved, That an Auditing Committee of three shall be appointed by the chair, whose duty it shall be to audit the expense accounts of all members of the General Executive Committee. Legitimate expenses shall be limited to ordinary rates of travel, necessary sleeping-car fees and one dollar per day for meals when necessary. All bills of expense shall be endorsed by the Branch corresponding secretary.

Mrs. Wilson of Cincinnati Branch presented the following:

At the annual convention of the Cincinnati Branch at Toledo, O., Oct. 9–10, 1901, a strong and loving sentiment prevailed concerning the work inaugurated and established by our inestimable Isabella Thoburn; and the delegates offer the following:

Resolved, That we do memorialize the General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in session at Philadelphia, Pa., beginning October 30, 1901, to change the name of Lucknow College for Women to the Isabella Thoburn College for Women; and

We ask that this, our first college in India, thus named for our first missionary, be held open for special gifts and bequests, to be added to the endowment fund already begun, until it reaches the sum Miss Thoburn desired for the purpose, fifty thousand dollars.

(Signed) MRS. B. R. COWEN,
MRS. A. J. CLARK,
MRS. P. C. WILSON.

This resolution was adopted.

It was very clearly stated that the name would in no wise conflict with Harriet Warren Memorial, as that is the name given to the hall and not to the college proper. Mrs. O'Neal of the Pacific Branch stated that property valued at eight thousand dollars had been donated for the endowment fund of the college.

The following communication was read from the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Philadelphia:

PHILADELPHIA, NOV. 1, 1901.

MRS. CYRUS D. FOSS,

Dear Madam—"The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Philadelphia" met at their headquarters, "The Willard," 1921 Arch St., to-day. They authorized me to send you the following resolution, viz.: "The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Philadelphia sends *greetings* to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, which is being held at Park Avenue Church and *earnestly* desires your organization, as Mothers, Wives and Sisters, to *endorse* the "*Anti-canteen*" *law* to assist in the evangelization of our Sons, Husbands and Fathers, now in the Philippines, and thus help in preparing the way for the Gospel.

Respectfully yours, MARGARET M. BARBER,
Cor. Sec. of W. C. T. U. of Philadelphia.

Mrs. Eaton moved to accept and act upon the resolution. Miss Ella Watson moved, as an amendment, that it be referred to Committee on Resolutions. The amendment was accepted and it was so referred.

Mrs. Nind was granted permission to speak, and referred to Mrs. Carrie C. Faxon, sister of Mrs. Moots, who goes to Manila, as the representative of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, expecting to spend two years in the Philippines. Mrs. McKinstry moved that the committee send, in reply to the communication, greetings of the committee. The motion carried. Mrs. Crandon moved that we incorporate in our resolution that our prayers go with Mrs. Faxon. Mrs. Huston made an announcement that she had just received a letter from Miss Griffith of Japan, who wrote that one of the professors and fifty-seven of the students in the school at Aoyama, Japan, had been converted. Miss Griffith sent greetings.

The election of officers was the next order of business. Mrs. Alderman moved to elect by acclamation, which was carried. Mrs. Skidmore nominated Mrs. Cyrus D. Foss for President, who was elected unanimously by a rising vote. Mrs. Stevens nominated Mrs. J. T. Gracey for Recording Secretary. Mrs. Keen nominated Mrs. H. B. Skidmore for General Treasurer. These were also elected by a rising vote. Miss Watson moved that Mrs. Achard be elected Superintendent of German Work. Carried.

The members of the Literature Committee were next elected. Miss Pearson, whose term of service had expired, did not desire re-election. Mrs. Huston presented the name of Mrs. C. F. Wilder of Manhattan, Kansas, for the Western section, who was elected. Mrs. Pooley's time had not expired, as she had been elected for three years. The Eastern section was not ready to report.

Next in order was the selection of place for holding the next session of the Committee. An invitation was extended from Mrs. Joyce, secretary of the Minneapolis Branch, on behalf of the Branch and the pastor and auxiliary of Wesley Church, Minneapolis, to hold the next session in that city. Mrs. Huston moved that the invitation to Wesley Church, Minneapolis, be accepted, which motion was carried. Mrs. O'Neal of the Pacific Branch said the invitation to that Branch was perennial.

Miss Chase presented a resolution that each District be asked to raise one hundred dollars for Folts Institute. Miss Bingham moved to refer the resolution to committee on memorials. Motion prevailed. Miss Walden spoke in regard to the courtesy of the railroad agent who had been in attendance, and thought it might be well to have some action taken whereby an effort be made to secure reduced rates for our missionary workers. She also made a statement of what had been saved to the Soci-

ety by the use of the Trunk Line certificates. Mrs. Hanaford moved that the railroad secretary and the secretary of the Executive Committee be a committee to frame a resolution relative to railroad rates, and present the same to this body. Carried.

The following notice for a constitutional amendment was given:

Notice is hereby given that the following change is asked in Article III of the Constitution: In place of the words, "The payment of one dollar annually shall constitute membership," insert the words, "The payment of ten cents a month shall constitute membership." When this is adopted, a by-law shall be framed, providing that twenty cents of this amount *may* be used as contingent funds.

MRS. L. P. HAUSER,
MRS. I. W. JOYCE,
MRS. A. L. MCKINSTRY.

Rev. W. L. McDowell, presiding elder, was introduced to the committee; also Mrs. McCullough and Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Camphor, missionaries from Africa. Mrs. Thompson, of the Des Moines Branch, represented the Literature. Mrs. Dailey, chairman of Committee on Decorations, presented to the committee the emblem "Saved for Service." Mrs. Foss accepted the gift with thanks.

Various announcements were made when the committee united in singing a verse of "Jesus, the very thought of Thee," after which the benediction was pronounced by Rev. Mr. Camphor.

SEVENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS,

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1901.

The General Executive Committee convened at the usual hour, with the President in the chair. Mrs. Foss conducted the opening devotional exercises and Mrs. Gracey led in prayer. The minutes of the previous session were read, corrected and approved. The Enrollment Committee asked the privilege of making a report, which was granted. General executive officers present, 3; Literature Committee, 3; editors, 3; corresponding secretaries, 11; German Secretary, 1; delegates, 22; missionaries, 43; visitors, 160.

A message of greeting was ordered sent by the Secretary to the Woman's Home Missionary Society, in session in St. Andrew's Church, New York City.

The Chair announced the committee to audit the expenses of delegates to the General Executive Committee: Mrs. J. M. Cornell, Mrs. J. Edgar Leaycraft and Miss L. M. Strow.

Miss Ella Watson, Secretary of Publication Committee, presented some additional items on Publication Report. It was moved and carried to consider item by item. An item was presented concerning the General Executive Report. A suggestion was made that it should be called Report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and not Executive Report. The name of Mrs. M. S. Budlong, of Rockford, Ill., was recommended as editor of *The Study*, with allowance of one hundred dollars. It was moved to amend by substituting the word "salary" for "allowance." The resolution was adopted as amended. It was recommended that the page of the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, devoted to Thank Offering and outline of the Lesson, be devoted to suggestions on the Monthly Lesson. The recommendation was adopted. It was also resolved that the initials of the Branch be inserted in the list of missionaries on page 196 of thirty-first Annual Report.

Next in order was a suggestion to unify methods of work among children, and a proposition was made to have a new mite-box in the shape of the world. Mrs. Harrison and others spoke on the subject. It was thought this box would be cheaper than the one now in use. The resolution was adopted. It was adopted that all new subscribers to the *Woman's Missionary Friend* at Branch and annual meetings have a December number free. The resolution was also adopted that all publication of books and leaflets by Branches shall be made through the Literature Committee, but this action shall not interfere with matter now in press.

Mrs. Harrison, of Worcester, Mass., who had developed the literature of the Little Light Bearers, made it all over to the Society; and the adjustment of a royalty to be paid Mrs. Harrison was left to be made by the publisher, Miss J. P. Walden and Mrs. Harrison. Mrs. Harrison was elected Secretary of Little Light Bearers, with the recommendation that she immediately enter into correspondence with Conference Secretaries concerning the work. It was moved and carried also that all literature published in foreign fields be incorporated in the Literature report. The Publication report was then adopted as a whole. (See Report.)

Mrs. Hesser sang a missionary song, issued by the Northwestern Branch, called "The Open Door." Mrs. Hanaford, of the New England Branch, presented a resolution, that a committee of three be appointed, of which Miss Clara Cushman shall be the chairman, to supervise the Standard Bearer literature and to arrange for the distribution of the material and badges. After a general discussion this was laid on the table.

Miss Kemper, chairman of the Committee on Memorials, presented the following:

WHEREAS, The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has received the magnificent gift of Folts Institute at Herkimer, N. Y., and believing it should become a great factor in our work; therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend that a fund called the "Permanent Scholarship Fund" be raised to provide for the expenses of such pupils of Folts Institute as are unable to meet their expenses, and that we recommend this apportionment: One hundred dollars for each District of the New England, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Cincinnati Branches; one hundred dollars for each Conference in the Norwestern Branch; fifty dollars from each Conference in the Minneapolis, Des Moines and Topeka Branches; and one hundred dollars each for the Pacific and Columbia River Branches—to be raised within three years. We further recommend that, as far as practicable, gifts from individuals rather than from auxiliaries be solicited in the raising of this fund. After a general discussion it was fully understood that the resolution was not obligatory, but was simply a recommendation, and as such was adopted.

The following was presented by the secretary and, after some explanation, was adopted:

Resolved, That the General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, in session in Philadelphia, authorize Mrs. R. E. Clark and Miss Pauline J. Walden, railroad secretaries, to make application to the various railroad associations in order to secure reduced rates for their missionaries and officers in carrying forward their work, said application to be signed by the Secretary of the General Executive Committee.

Miss Mary E. Holt, of Boston, was nominated by the representatives of the Eastern Section as member of Literature Committee for one year, to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Eaton, and was elected. It was recommended that the four corresponding secretaries of the Branches in the Eastern Section, Mrs. Stevens being chairman, be empowered to fill the vacancy in case Miss Holt declines to serve.

Mrs. Hanaford presented the following:

Resolved, That Miss Walden be requested to confer with Miss Cushman relative to some arrangement concerning the issuing and distribution of Standard Bearers' literature, similar to that made with Mrs. L. F. Harrison; the above committee to report the constitutional publication committee at their earliest convenience. The resolution was adopted. Miss Ella Watson presented the following modifications in By-Laws as follows:

8. PUBLICATIONS OF THE SOCIETY.

2. The editors and publishers shall be elected annually by the General Executive Committee, and the Literature Committee by the same body, as their term of office expires.

9. The territory of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society shall be divided into three sections—The Eastern section to be composed of New England, New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore Branches; the Central

section, Cincinnati and Northwestern Branches; the Western section, Minneapolis, Des Moines, Topeka, Pacific and Columbia River Branches.

10. The Literature Committee shall be nominated by the delegates from the above sections, and elected by the General Executive Committee for a term of three years on the rotation plan. When, of necessity, a member of a committee must resign before expiration of time, she shall notify the Branch corresponding secretaries throughout her section at least one month before the annual meetings.

These modifications were adopted.

Mrs. Keen presented the following proposed constitutional changes:

Articles first and second under Constitutional Publication Committee remain the same, but Article third modified to read:

Article 3—All cases of emergency concerning publications arising in the interim of the sessions of the General Executive Committee shall be submitted to the Constitutional Publication Committee, and the case shall be decided by the majority vote.

Article 4.—As Article 3. This committee shall take charge of the missionary periodicals of the Society, and arrange for the publication of an annual report of the work of the Society, and shall have supervision of all business concerning the publications.

This committee shall report annually to the General Executive Committee.

Article 5. As article 4. Same as printed to last line, where add:—"She shall report semi-annually to the Constitutional Publication Committee."

Article 6. Same as article 5.

Article 7. Same as article 6.

Article 8. If the office of editor, publisher or member of Literature Committee becomes vacant during the year, this committee shall have power to fill the vacancy. Add at the end:—"And shall report semi-annually to the Constitutional Publication Committee."

Mrs. Alderman presented the following:

Resolved, That this body express through its secretary our sympathy with Mrs. Thomas Rich, one of the original founders of the Society, in the recent loss of her beloved husband, a good financial friend of this organization at its start. This resolution was adopted by a rising vote.

Mrs. Cowen, secretary of the Reference Committee, presented a report. It was moved and carried to consider item by item.

The report was adopted and the item on By-Laws ordered inserted in the By-Laws. (See Report.)

Special requests were received from the Woman's Board of the Congregational Church, also from Woman's Baptist Board, asking that information be given concerning one Mrs. Harnett, *née* Luella Kelley, formerly employed as a misionary of this Society. Statements were made concerning her by various persons who had known her, resulting in the adoption of the following resolution: The Woman's Foreign Missionary

Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church assembled in their thirty-second General Executive Committee, do certify that Luella Kelley, now calling herself Louise Katharine Harnett, was sent to India in 1880 as a missionary of the Society, but for good and sufficient reasons was recalled in 1886, as appears by the records of said Society. From letters and documents in the possession of the Society ample proof can be furnished of her untrustworthiness.

It was moved and carried that the secretary be authorized to publish a copy of said resolutions in the *Woman's Missionary Friend* and in the various church papers.

Transfer of Property.

A motion prevailed to extend the time so as to meet at 1:30 for afternoon session. A resolution concerning the transfer of certain property to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was adopted.

Whereas, "At a meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Wyoming Conference, auxiliary to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, held the 18th day of October, 1901, at Binghamton, New York, the following resolution was adopted:

Whereas, Mrs. Eunice Davidge, of Newark Valley, Tioga County, in the State of New York, by her last will and testament and codicil, duly probated, and of record in the Surrogate's office in and for the County of Tioga, in the State of New York, at Oswego, provided interalia, as follows:

'I give and bequeath to the Foreign Missionary Society of the Wyoming Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, fifty shares of United States Leather Company, preferred stock, upon condition that the same is not to be sold for less than its par value within five years from the time of my decease.'

And Whereas, There is no society in the Methodist Episcopal Church bearing this precise name: and whereas, the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, by its duly constituted officers have waived any and all right which they had or might have in said legacy under said will, and request that the same be paid over to the Treasurer of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Wyoming Conference, auxiliary to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

And Whereas, upon the delivery of the stock hereinbefore mentioned to this Society, it would be delivered to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, according to the rules and regulations of this Society;

Therefore, Resolved, That the executors of the last will and testament of Eunice Davidge, deceased, be and they are hereby authorized and requested to transfer the stock mentioned in said will and codicil, to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church; and the President, Secretary and Treasurer of this Society be and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver a receipt to the said executors for said stock, upon said stock being transferred to the Treasurer of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society as

aforesaid, and that said receipt and the request for the delivery of the said stock be in such form as the said executors may require, fully indemnifying the said executors of the last will and testament of Eunice Davidge, deceased, from all loss and damage for and by reason of transferring the said stock in accordance with this resolution; and the transferring of said stock to the Treasurer of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church to have the same effect as if transferred to and received by the Treasurer of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Wyoming Conference, auxiliary to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

And the said fifty shares of United States Leather Company, preferred stock, of the par value of five thousand dollars, (the same having been bequeathed by said Eunice Davidge in her last will and testament and codicil, duly probated and of record in the Surrogate's office in and for the County of Tioga, as hereinbefore stated) the said United States Leather Company, preferred stock, is accepted in accordance with the terms and provisions of said will, by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Wyoming Conference, auxiliary to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

And in consideration of the delivery of said bequest to it, by transferring the same to the Treasurer of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Wyoming Conference, auxiliary to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, hereby agrees to idemnify, save and keep the estate of Mrs. Eunice Davidge, and her executors, free from all liability, loss and damage for and by reason of the paying over (transferring the stock aforesaid) said legacy to it." Therefore, be it

Resolved, That upon the fifty shares of the United States Leather Company, preferred stock, of the par value of the five thousand dollars, being the stock mentioned in the last will and testament of Eunice Davidge, deceased, and the bequest mentioned in said will to the Foreign Missionary Society of the Wyoming Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, being transferred to the Treasurer of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the said Treasurer of this Society is authorized and directed to give a receipt in such form as the executors of the last will and testament of Mrs. Eunice Davidge may require and indemnify, save and keep the estate of Mrs. Eunice Davidge, and said executors, free from all liability, loss and damage for and by reason of paying over (transferring said stock) to this Society, which this Society hereby agrees to do, and if necessary for the purpose aforesaid, re-assign and transfer said stock to the executors, upon request of the executors as aforesaid, or the survivor or survivors of them. And said stock is accepted by this Society in accordance with the terms and conditions of the said last will and testament of Eunice Davidge, deceased, and full authority is hereby given the Treasurer of this Society to execute all papers relating to this matter under the seal of this Society, in such form as may be required by the executors of the last will and testament of Eunice Davidge, deceased.

[SEAL]

AMELIA R. FOSS, *President*,
ANNIE R. GRACEY, *Secretary*,
HARRIET B. SKIDMORE, *Treasurer*.

Mrs. Appenzeller of Korea, Mr. Legg of Worcester, Mass., Rev. T. Snowden Thomas, and Rev. G. M. Broadhead were introduced to the Committee. Announcements were made, the Doxology sung and benediction pronounced by Rev. Mr. Broadhead.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 1:30.

The General Executive Committee convened at 1.30 with the president in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by the delegates of the New York Branch. The secretary was excused from reading the minutes.

Mrs. Woods of New England Branch asked to be excused and this was granted.

Mrs. Cowen presented a resolution concerning the adjustment of missionaries salaries, which was adopted.

WHEREAS, There seems to be an increasing necessity for some change in the method of estimating the salaries and support of our missionaries, which shall result in a better equalization in certain localities, and after careful inquiry upon the fields and examination of the plans of other Woman's Boards, we find that the actual price of living varies in different stations, and it seems wise to adjust the amount given to the demands of the country.

Also, after a trial of some years, of employing workers of equal responsibility in the same station, receiving different amounts of support;

Resolved, That we inaugurate a system that shall give all workers in the same station the same amount of support. This, however, shall not interfere with the amount received by any regularly ordained deaconess who may conscientiously decide to accept a smaller sum than that prescribed by the Society.

We recognize the justice of fulfilling the contracts already made and this arrangement is not designed to change the salaries of those now in the field, except at their own request.

All new missionaries and those returning after a five years term of service are expected to conform to this new regulation. The salary fixed is to cover all expenses hitherto classed among incidentals.

Africa, $500; Bengal, $600; Bombay, $650; Bulgaria, $600; Burma, $600; Central China, $600; Foochow, $600; Hing-Hua, $600; Italy, $600; Japan, $700; Korea, $700; Malaysia, $425; Mexico, $750; Northern China, $650; North India, $600; Northwest India, $600; South America, $750; South India, $600; West China, $450.

First year's salaries:—Those at $500 remain $500; those at $650, remain $525; those at $700, remain $550; those at $750, remain $550; those at $500, remain at $400; those at $450, remain $400.

The resolution presented authorizing a field secretary, signed by twenty-two missionaries who were present, was adopted.

The committee on resolutions presented a report through the secretary, Mrs. A. J. Clarke (See Report). Mrs. Alderman moved that the

resolution adopted concerning Mrs. T. A. Rich be inserted with the resolutions, which was carried. The report was adopted by a rising vote.

The Finance Committee was called and reported the appropriations for 1902 as follows:

Mrs. Alderman, New England Branch		$ 36,656
Mrs. Skidmore, New York	"	65,350
Mrs. Keen, Philadelphia	"	32,000
Mrs. Stevens, Baltimore	"	15,000
Mrs. Cowen, Cincinnati	"	45,000
Mrs. Crandon, Northwestern	"	90,000
Mrs. Huston, Des Moines	"	50,000
Mrs. Joyce, Minneapolis	"	17,000
Mrs. Watson, Topeka	"	19,400
Mrs. O'Neal, Pacific	"	12,575
Mrs. Fisher, Columbia River	"	5,935
Total,		$ 388,916

Miss Watson presented a resolution to the effect that any Junior Epworth League paying twenty-five cents per member shall be counted as a missionary band. This called forth a discussion, and a letter was read by Mrs. Pooley from Mrs. Smiley, superintendent of Junior Leagues, favoring such a plan, but it was thought best not to endorse it at this session. The resolution was tabled. Mrs. O'Neal gave notice of change of constitution in Article 5, to insert after Literature Committee, "Superintendent of Little Light Bearers." Mrs. LaFetra of Washington asked to be excused before the close of session. The request was granted. It was moved that the reports of official reports that had been read, and those not read be published in the annual report. The motion was carried. The secretary was instructed to print and send the appropriations to the treasurers in the foreign fields, and also to the General Missionary Society Committee. This concluded the business of the Committee.

The hymn "A Charge to Keep I Have" was sung, and closing prayers were offered by Mrs. Joyce of Minneapolis and Mrs. Stephens of Baltimore. "Blest Be the Tie" was sung, and after uniting in the Mizpah benediction, Dr. T. Snowden Thomas dismissed the audience. The Committee adjourned *sine die*.

MRS. J. T. GRACEY,
Secretary General Executive Committee.

Report of Publication Committee.

Resolved, That we recognize, more than ever before, the importance of our periodicals as the chief medium of communication between the field and the workers at home, and that we wish to express our appreciation of the admirable service rendered by the editors of the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, *Children's Missionary Friend*, and *Frauen-Missions-Freund.*

We congratulate the editors of these periodicals and the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society on the place which these journals have taken in the world of literature, as well as in the world of missions.

We recommend the continuance in office of Miss Louise M. Hodgkins as editor of the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, Mrs. O. W. Scott as editor of the *Children's Friend*, and Mrs. Ph. Achard as editor of the *Frauen-Missions-Freund.*

WHEREAS, We are grateful for the increase in the subscriptions to the *Woman's* and *Children's Missionary Friend*, of the past eight years, yet are not satisfied therewith ; therefore,

Resolved, That we will put forth effort this year to increase the subscriptions to thirty thousand for the *Woman's Friend* and fifty thousand for the *Children's Friend.* To this end we submit the following plan :

Each Branch secretary of literarure shall write a personal letter to each Conference secretary, urging the matter of circulation and asking that special effort be made to bring up the circulation to the figures named by March 1, 1902.

Each Conference secretary shall write to each District secretary and she in turn to each auxiliary agent for the *Friends*, such agents being requested to ask every woman in her church to take these papers. These agents, having completed the canvass, shall report to the District secretary, the District secretary to the Conference secretary, and the Conference secretary to the Branch secretary of literature, who will report to the *Friend*, thus completing the circuit. In the Branches where the office of agent of periodicals is recognized the correspondence, as indicated above, shall be carried on by those officers, rather than the secretaries named.

WHEREAS, Our publisher, as a means of increasing subscriptions to the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, has been giving one additional copy for every fifteen subscribers, and believing this plan has been in a measure successful, but desiring to increase still further the circulation; therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend that for every ten subscriptions one additional copy be given.

We recommend that new subscribers to the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, secured during Branch annual meetings and hereafter, shall receive the December issue free.

WHEREAS, There has been a desire expressed by a few for a change in the order of arrangement of the Branch *Quarterlies* in the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, but believing such change would cause confusion among those contributing, as well as among the readers of the paper; therefore,

Resolved, That the *Quarterlies* appear in the same order as heretofore.

Resolved, That the report of our publisher, Miss Pauline J. Walden, brings to mind her nineteen years of efficient service, and we wish here to record our gratitude to her whose wisdom and fidelity in this important department have been invaluable. We recommend her continuance in office for another year.

Resolved, That we hereby express our gratitude to Mr. A. S. Weed, as auditor, for the valuable service rendered, and recommend his reappointment.

Resolved, That we recommend the following salaries be paid for the ensuing year: To the editor of the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, $700; to the editor of *Der Frauen-Missions-Freund*, $250; to the editor of the *Children's Missionary Friend*, $250; to the publisher, $700.

We further recommend that the editor of the *Woman's Friend* be granted $50, and the editor of the *Children's Friend* $25 for special contributions to these papers.

Resolved, That Mrs. M. S. Budlong be elected editor of *The Study* at a salary of $100 per year.

WHEREAS, The Lesson Topics for the coming year are of the utmost importance; therefore,

Resolved, That the page in the *Woman's Missionary Friend* now devoted to the Lesson Topic and the Twentieth-Century Thank-Offering shall be devoted to suggestions and helps for the preparation of the Lesson Topics, to be edited by Mrs. M. S. Budlong.

Resolved, That we recommend an appropriation of $50 for the editing of the Thirty-Second Annual Report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and that the Recording Secretary, Mrs. J. T. Gracey, be the editor thereof.

Resolved, That we recommend an edition of six thousand copies of the Thirty-Second Annual Report with the following order in the arrangement of contents:—List of General Officers; Official Minutes of the Executive Meeting; Reports of Branch Secretaries of Home Work,

with Home Statistics; Reports of Branch Secretaries of Foreign Work, with stations of missionaries given in connection therewith; Appropriations, with summary of the same; List of Missionaries, with addresses and stations, including the stations of those home on leave; Constitution and By-Laws; List of Real Estate and Articles of Incorporation; Rules of Pronunciation.

Resolved, That the maps of the mission fields be restored to their former place in the Annual Report.

Resolved, That we recommend the insertion of amounts for support of special work such as Bible women, orphans and scholarships, in the Annual Report.

Resolved, That in the list of missionaries appearing on page 196 the initials of the Branch sending be inserted after each name.

Resolved, That the picture of our first representative in foreign fields, Miss Isabella Thoburn, appear in the forthcoming Annual Report, also the Annual Report of each Branch.

Resolved, That twenty-five copies of the abridged Annual Report be printed, that it be paid for by the various Branches and distributed as a free leaflet to auxiliaries. We recommend that a copy be sent to each pastor in our church, so far as practicable.

Resolved, That the issue of the Prayer calendar for 1902 be at least 3,000 copies.

Resolved, That the report of the Zenana paper be printed in full in the Thirty-Second Annual Report.

Resolved, That $100 be appropriated, to be at the disposal of the Literature Committee for use in the preparation of literature.

WHEREAS, It is evident that the publishing of books and leaflets by Branches individually must tend to decrease the sales of our general literature; therefore,

Resolved, That all publications other than those especially adapted to the work of the Branch, shall be published through the Literature Committee and by our own publishing house in Boston; this action not to include material now in press or future editions of books already published.

WHEREAS, The development of literature upon the foreign field is becoming more important each year; therefore,

Resolved, That an annual report of the amount of such literature, name of issue, number of copies, number of pages and samples thereof, be submitted to the Standing Literature Committee, to be embodied in their report for the General Executive meeting.

WHEREAS, We have heard with great thankfulness of the increasing demand for Christian literature in Japan; therefore,

Resolved, That we heartily commend the work of Miss Georgiana

Baucus, who has shown herself so efficient in the preparation of this literature.

WHEREAS, The perpetuity and prosperity of our children's work seem to demand a uniform plan and name ; therefore,

Resolved, That a committee, consisting of Mrs. O. W. Scott, Miss Harriet L. Kemper, Mrs. Lucie F. Harrison, and Miss Ella M. Watson, be appointed to prepare such a plan and name, to present to the next meeting of the General Executive Committee.

WHEREAS, It is desirable to unify the methods of work among the children ; therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend the adoption of "the world" as a children's mite-box, these boxes to be furnished to the Branches by our publisher.

WHEREAS, The committee has considered the feasibility of centralizing the work of the Little Light-Bearers, and finds it possible to place upon the literature heretofore sold by Mrs. Lucie F. Harrison the stamp of the Boston office ; therefore,

Resolved, That the adjustment of royalty on all her publications be left to Miss Walden and Mrs. Harrison ; and further,

Resolved, That Mrs. Harrison be elected secretary of Little Light-Bearers' work, and that she enter into correspondence with Conference secretaries, or superintendents of Little Light Bearers, in the eleven Branches.

WHEREAS, We believe a crest, to be used on all our periodicals, would add dignity to our society ; therefore,

Resolved, That the matter be referred to the Committee on Memorials to consider in connection with a society badge, the two to be in some particulars uniform in design.

MRS. C. H. HANAFORD, *Chairman.*
MISS ELLA M. WATSON, *Secretary.*

Report of Literature Committee.

Miss Elizabeth Pearson, Des Moines, Mrs. A. H. Eaton, Baltimore, Md., and Mrs. R. H. Pooley, Rockford, Ill., were elected to constitute the Literature Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. The above committee respectfully submits to you this, their first annual report:

Chapin says:—"The productions of the press, fast as steam can make and carry them, go abroad through the land, silent as snowflakes but potent as thunder."

The work of the past year has been carried on entirely through correspondence, and many a time have we cherished the words of Herrick:—"Nothing is so hard but search will find it out."

Our reading constituency will never again know any limit, for universities, colleges, high schools, Chautauquas, literary clubs, etc., etc., send to us their tens of thousands every year. Our Society has placed upon its various literature committees and secretaries of literature the duty of "advancing the interests and increasing the circulation of our literature and publications in every way possible." Hence, to quote from an efficient Branch chairman of literature, "The problem is to provide reading matter at such prices and of such character that those who ought to read will purchase. This work cannot be done by theorizing as to what ought to be read. The demand may doubtless be stimulated and, to a certain extent, directed, but its control is a matter of patient working and waiting."

The first work of the committee was the devising of plans whereby the secretary of literature of each Branch could be of most service to the standing committee, and the following circular letter was the result of our thought.

"At the General Executive meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, held in Worcester, Mass., October 24-31, 1900, some changes were made in the formation of the Literature Committee with the following result: A committee of three was formed who shall have charge of all literature, exclusive of periodicals, published by the Society; one member elected by the delegation from the Branches east of the Alleghenies, one from those east and one from those west of the Mississippi. The time of service was decided by lot, as follows: Miss Elizabeth Pearson, Des Moines, Iowa, one year; Mrs. A. H. Eaton, Baltimore, Md., two years, and Mrs. R. S. Pooley, Rockford, Ill., three years.

"We, the above committee, are to be aided in our work by a secretary of literature elected by each Branch as early as practicable.

"'The duties of these secretaries shall be to assist the Literature Committee . . . in any way the said committee may desire.' See Thirtieth Annual Report, page 138. In accordance with the above general plan we outline more in detail the duties of these secretaries of literature and urge their hearty co-operation :—

"1st. She shall work in conjunction with her Branch Literature Committee.

"2nd. She shall personally or through others push the sale of our literature.

"3rd. She shall present to her own member of the Literature Committee, by October 1 of each year, a written annual report, including the following:

"*a.* Amount of printed matter, books, leaflets, and so forth and all circular letters issued by Branch, Conference and District officers or others.

"*b.* Number of Auxiliaries, Districts and Conferences, using printed programs.

"*c.* Number of Annual and District Conferences, District Conventions and camp meetings at which our literature has been for sale and receipts therefrom.

"*d.* Number of Auxiliaries using the monthly lesson topics provided by the Literature Committee.

"*e.* Names and addresses of those pursuing the Reading Course.

"*f.* Names and addresses of two women in each Branch peculiarly adapted to the writing of missionary literature for children or adults.

"*g.* Give a report of the Twentieth Century Thank Offering period as to receipts of the first, second and third year.

"*h.* Give full report of Depot of Supplies.

"*i.* She shall send to her own member of the Literature Committee samples of all printed matter named above.

"*j.* Give names of City Public Libraries, paying especial attention to missionary books and periodicals, and use of the same.

"4th. She shall send to her own member of the Literature Committee any manuscript suitable for publication, that it may be submitted to the Literature Committee as a whole."

The Secretaries of Literature throughout the Branches deserve especial praise in that we have received a written report from each one, though several Branches were tardy in carrying out general executive directions, occasioning much unnecessary correspondence. Yet difficulties ofttimes strengthen, and several secretaries report their Branches stirred as never before upon the subject of literature.

Reading Course:—According to suggestions and recommendations as to cost, conformity to the Lesson Topics, etc., the following selections were made for the Third Year's Reading Course: *Woman's Missionary Friend*, 50 cents; *Crisis in China*, $1.00; *Missions and Politics in Asia*, pamphlet edition, Robert E. Speer, 15 cents; (The complete book may be obtained for $1.00.) *The Healing of the Nations*, J. Rutter Williamson, 25 cents; *Dawn on the Hills of T'ang*, by Harlan P. Beach, 35 cents; (Special edition with a chapter on Methodist Missions.) *China*, by Rev. James Mudge, D. D., 25 cents; or *China in Outline*, by Rev. J. T. Gracey, D. D., 15 cents; the total cost being $2.50 or $2.40, including *The Friend*. The course was printed in connection with the leaflet instructions to Secretaries of Literature.

This word comes from one of our Depots of Supplies:

"Our Reading Course grows in popularity, as is evident by the increased sales of the prescribed books." One hundred and eighty-four persons have been reported by name, and some twenty-five Auxiliaries as having read the Course this last year, seventy-five, the largest number, being found in Northwestern Branch.

Leaflets—The unfinished business of the former Literature Committee was completed and resulted in the issuing of the regular leaflet report and, in the Boarding School Series, *Tokyo* and *Nagasaki*, by Mrs. J. T. Gracey. The three leaflets arranged to accompany the Lesson Topics of February, May and October were respectively: "*The Causes that Have Led to the Present Condition of China*," by Bishop Isaac W. Joyce, condensed by Miss Elizabeth Pearson; "*Of Whom the World Was Not Worthy*," by Miss Miranda Croucher; "*Why Send Missionaries to Japan?*" by Miss M. Bell Griffiths.

The new series of leaflets, known as the Pioneer Series, by Mrs. O. W. Scott, we trust may continue in the year to come. Two of the series are in circulation:—*William Carey, the Shoemaker Missionary* and *The Haystack Prayer Meeting*. Two leaflets especially designed for young women have been issued:—*Three Reasons*, by Jennie M. Bingham, and *The Story of a Mite-box*, by Elizabeth B. Matthews.

Two other leaflets for the work in general are:—*My Conversion to the Mite-box* (the writer desiring her name withheld) and *Mrs. Moulton's Experience*, by Fannie More McCauley.

Three stories have been issued, one for children:—*Umbrellas to Lend*, by Mrs. O. W. Scott, and two for the general work:—*Melissa's Successful Failure*, by Jennie M. Bingham, and *The Christmas Sale*, by Mrs. Emily Huntington Miller. Also one upon the subject of giving, entitled, *The One Proportion*, by H. W. Slicer.

Calendar.—The Prayer Calendar was outlined as follows: January, New England Branch, Children's and Young People's Work. February, Pacific Branch, Training and Day Schools, Kindergarten. March, Minneapolis Branch, Thank-Offering and Twentieth Century. April, New York Branch, Literature at Home and Abroad. May, Philadelphia Branch, High School and College Work and Workers. June, Baltimore Branch, Boarding Schools, Their Work and Workers. July, Topeka Branch, Orphanages. August, Columbia River Branch, Our Home Work and New Missionaries of 1900. September, Des Moines Branch, Giving. October, Northwestern Branch, Medical Work and Workers. November, Cincinnati Branch, Deaconess and Evangelistic Work. December, German Branch, Miscellaneous.

Each member of the Committee had in charge the calendar months from her section, the whole being reviewed and sent by the chairman to the publisher.

This Calendar of Prayer has become a wonderful power with its almost inspired coincidences.

Lesson Topics.—In accordance with the ruling of this body the Literature Committee, together with Mrs. O. W. Scott, who outlines the Lesson Topics for children to harmonize with the general work, united the six lessons for inter-denominational work with six denominational lessons. See September issue of *The Friend*, page 316.

As a committee we welcome with delight our study book, *Via Christi*, prepared by the editor of the *Missionary Friend*, and expect better missionary study work than ever before.

In compliance with a request of the secretary of the Constitutional Publication Committee, the Literature Committee submitted a semi-annual report to the Constitutional Publication Committee and received in reply most appreciative and kindly messages for our efforts thus far.

The requests concerning the issuing of a leaflet on South America, *Our Machinery*, remodeled, and a *Brief Historical Leaflet*, have received the attention of the committee and are among the leaflets for the coming year. The recapitulation of new leaflets issued, reprints and Calendar are as follows:—

Leaflet Report, 8 pages; 25,000 copies; 200,000 pages. "Causes Which Led," 6 pages; 3,000 copies; 18,000 pages. "Of Whom the World," 6 pages; 10,000 copies; 60,000 pages. "Umbrellas to Lend," 8 pages: 5,000 copies; 40,000 pages. "Pioneers" No. 1, 8 pages; 3,000 copies; 24,000 pages. "Pioneers" No. 2, 8 pages; 3,000 copies; 24,000 pages. "Three Reasons," 6 pages; 3,000 copies; 18,000 pages. "One Proportion," 8 pages; 3,000 copies; 24,000 pages. "Why Send Mission-

aries," 8 pages; 3,000 copies; 24,000 pages. "Boarding School, Nagasaki," 12 pages; 3,000 copies; 36,000 pages. "Tokyo," 12 pages; 3,000 copies; 36,000 pages. "My Conversion," 6 pages; 5,000 copies; 30,000 pages. "Melissa's Successful Failure," 12 pages; 5,000 copies; 60,000 pages. "Story of a Mite-box," 8 pages; 3,000 copies; 24,000 pages. "Mrs. Moulton's Experience," 6 pages; 3,000 copies; 18,000 pages. "A Christmas Sale," 8 pages; 3,000 copies; 24,000 pages. Total, 85,000 copies; 660,000 pages.

REPRINTS.

"If They Only Knew," 8 pages; 3,000 copies; 24,000 pages. "Luchmi," 8 pages; 3,000 copies; 24,000 pages. "Polly's Potato Money," 4 pages; 25,000 copies; 100,000 pages. Total, 31,000 copies; 148,000 pages. "Calendar," 64 pages: 3,065 copies; 196,160 pages. Total published at Boston office, 119,065 copies; 984,160.

We now turn our attention to the field of our publishing interests, not before considered in our annual report—that of the publications in the various Branches.

This naturally divides itself into paid and free literature.

There have been distributed this year 20,375 Branch Annual reports, four of which were free and seven paid. Two 4-page Branch *Quarterlies* have been issued; *Minneapolis Quarterly* with an issue of 750 per quarter, total issue, 3,000, total pages, 24,000; *Cincinnati Quarterly* with an issue of 1,200 per quarter, total issue, 4,8000; total pages, 19,200.

Books—Triumphs of the Cross, by Miss Grace Stephens, 3,000 copies; *Sooboonagan Ammal*, by Miss Grace Stephens, 2,500 copies; *History of the Pacific Branch*, 2,000 copies.

Sheet Music—"The Open Door," 5,000 copies.

Auxiliary Treasurer's Book, reprint, 258 copies; Recording Secretary's Book, reprint, 208 copies; "Biography of Miss Martin," leaflet, 500 copies; Poem, slips, 2,000; "Crandon Hall," leaflet, 1,000 copies; "Foot Binding," leaflet, 500 copies; Suggestive Course of Study for Young People, 1,000 copies.

The following free leaflets were issued and distributed by the various Branches: Thank-Offering leaflets, 88,838 copies; "Mrs. Moulton's Experience," 3,000 copies; "My Conversion to the Mite Box," 3,000 copies; "A Call to Young Women," 1,000 copies; "Messages from Missionaries," 3,000 copies; "Tithing, or Systematic Giving," 1,000 copies; Address by Mrs. F. M. Bristol, 500 copies; Hymn, 1,500 copies; total number of copies sent out from the Boston office, 119,065; total number of copies sent out from Branches, 143,474; total number of copies sent out from German department, 5,200; total, 267,739. This gives a grand total of 267,739 copies sent out during the last year.

The above is a very incomplete list, being the first attempt to secure such information from the Branches, and there having been no effort to include the various printed letters sent out by the officers of auxiliary, District, Conference or Branch; yet the printed matter reported gives us an issue of over two million pages of missionary information distributed during the year. May the Lord bless this printed thought to the spread of His gospel! . . . There were 226 printed programs or prospectuses reported as used in auxiliaries, and 189 public meetings had been held where our literature had been on sale. The receipts therefrom were $268.64. This does not include sales at Branch meetings, and we fear many gatherings remain unreported.

The total sales made at the various Depots of Supplies were $5,249.62.

The total number of new mite-boxes issued this year were 20,778.

Sixteen names of writers of merit for adults, and three for children, have been reported.

The following cities are reported as having libraries paying special attention to missionary books and periodicals: Topeka, Kansas; Des Moines, Iowa; Seattle, Washington; Pasadena, California; Rockford and Springfield, Illinois; West Bay City, Bay City and Detroit, Michigan; Melrose, Wakefield, Everett, Malden, Boston and Springfield, Mass.; Hartford and New Haven, Connecticut; Pittsburg, Allegheny, Warren, Lewiston and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

The report thus far has already proved that our work has enlarged its borders as never before; yet this committee does not, as formerly, have charge of *The Study* and the Annual Report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, which represent yet another grand total of distributed missionary literature.

The customary welcome letter from Miss Georgiana Baucus, and samples of Japanese literature issued the past year, were received and examined. The report of the German work is appended.

The needs of this great department of literature are many. Literature for children, especially for boys, is greatly desired. Many are the calls for free literature, which are being met in part, at least, by the individual Branches.

Women of Methodism: As a committee we desire your hearty co-operation. We need you, and we trust you will need what we send forth, more and more, until we shall become a band of missionary readers and auxiliary students such as we have not dared to hope for. May we be guided in the selection of material that shall claim the attention even of the unheeding, and lift constantly higher the standard of our literary and Christian-loving womanhood.

REPORT OF THE GERMAN LITERATURE.

SUBMITTED TO THE LITERATURE COMMITTEE BY MRS. ACHARD.

We could not prepare as many leaflets this year as we would have have liked, our time being so taken with other important business.

In our Annual Report we had a new feature, a table of the special work. This was very much appreciated and, we believe, has incited others to take work also. We have been asked to add the receipts from each auxiliary and one other improvement. This would increase the size and cost of issue, yet we could not raise the price (5 cents per copy), although we believe this report should be as full of information as possible, as it is the only literature of this kind in the German language. We would ask you, therefore, to give us the option of compiling a report as large as we think necessary, even if it should cost more to have it published.

There has always been a lack of poems for declamation in open meetings. We have succeeded in printing a number of such, which a brother minister, who is very much interested in the work, kindly translated for us. They are liked very much. They are from the following English sources: *Is It Nothing to You? It is All to Me. Who will Help? Two or Three. Let us Sing*, and a piece about mite-boxes. Of each of these we had two hundred copies printed. We had also a letter from Miss Nicolaisen in regard to her work, printed for free distribution. "Jesus-Songs in a Heathen Village" is ready for mailing now.

We are in need of a number of leaflets, which ought to be printed this year. Our auxiliaries are beginning to appreciate the value of such helps.

"Is It Nothing to You?" 200 copies; 200 pp. Annual Report Illustrated, 4,000 copies; 56,000 pp." Who Will Help? 200 copies; 200 pp. "It is All to Me," 200 copies; 200 pp. "Let Us Sing," 200 copies; 200 pp. "Two or Three," 200 copies; 200 pp. "Mite-box Song," 200 copies; 200 pp. Total, 5,200 copies; 57,200 pp..

For the first time an effort was made to display samples of all programs, mite-boxes, Branch reports, leaflets, circular letters, etc., etc. A room was given for this purpose and its patronage proved its value and interest.

(Signed) LITERATURE COMMITTEE.

Report of Committee on Missionary Candidates.

The applications and endorsements of the following missionary candidates were received and accepted by the committee:—

New York Branch: Georgia Weaver, Cortland, N. Y.; Henrietta Robbins, Northport, N. Y.

Philadelphia Branch: Alice W. Kurtz, Eastern Shore, Md.; Anna B. Slate, Williamsport, Pa.

Northwestern Branch: Mabel K. Seeds, Upland, Ind.; Pauline E. Westcott, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Catharine E. Jackson, Greencastle, Ind.

Pacific Branch: Edna L. Beck, San Jose, Cal.; Marion C. Morgan, San Francisco, Cal.

The following missionary candidates were accepted by the Committee of Reference, in session during the year:—

New England Branch: Jessie A. Marriott.

Cincinnati Branch: Margaret J. Evans, Toledo, O.

Northwestern Branch: Fanny A. Bennett. Chicago; Annie S. Winslow, Grace W. Woods, Quincy, Ill.

Des Moines Branch: Dr. Agnes Evans, Brookfield, Mo.; Elizabeth Wells, Laclede, Mo.; Nainette Henkle, Des Moines, Ia.; Emma Stockwell, Murray, Ia.

Minneapolis Branch: Christina E. Williams, Duluth, Minn.

Topeka Branch: Carrie Foster, Sioux City, Ia.

Pacific Branch: Susan Collins, Pasadena, Cal.

We heartily endorse the action of the Committee of Reference.

Mrs. F. D. BAKER, *Chairman.*
Mrs. P. C. WILSON, *Rec. Sec.*

Resolutions of Reference Committee.

In view of the great need in North China and the necessity for immediate action, the following is presented for adoption:—

WHEREAS, We learn from representatives Dr. and Mrs. F. D. Gamewell, and Mrs. C. M. Jewell, of Peking, China, that it is necessary to rebuild immediately the destroyed school, home and hospital, formerly occupied by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and that the sum of $38,279 must be available within the next six months; and,

WHEREAS, We are given to understand that the indemnity to the above amount has been demanded and placed upon record in the United States Legation in Peking, and can be used as collateral for the security of money borrowed for the purpose of rebuilding in Peking; therefore,

Resolved, That we appoint the corresponding secretary of the New York Branch, assisted by Mrs. C. M. Jewell, of Peking, to make arrangements to secure $38,279 required for rebuilding our institutions in Peking.

Resolved, That we request Dr. F. D. Gamewell, Mrs C. M. Jewell and Dr. M. S. Hopkins to act as a committee to superintend the rebuilding in Peking.

WHEREAS, The municipal authorities of Rosario, have ordered the erection of a building for our Girls Boarding School that shall cost $20,000, or the closing of the school by March 1, 1902; therefore,

Resolved, That the conditions be submitted to Bishops Warren and McCabe and Doctor Drees, and, should they advise the continuance of the school under the prescribed conditions; therefore,

Resolved, That the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society borrow the money necessary for the erection of the building, Topeka Branch assuming the payment of the interest annually until the principal shall be paid.

Resolved, That the secretary of the Reference Committee be requested to write to her respective field, calling attention to the resolution passed two years ago in regard to combining smaller items, such as fuel, lights and medicine, in the estimates in the cost of scholarships.

Resolved, That we cordially endorse the request of the twenty-two missionaries present at this meeting, representing all the fields where the Society has work, that a Reference Committee be formed in each field, through whom all official reports shall be sent.

Resolved, That the request that Miss Rouse be transferred to Kucheng, where the need is very great, be granted, with the hope that her health may be improved by the change.

(Signed) COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE.

To the Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

We, the undersigned, suggest that the authorities of the Woman's Missionary Society here assembled authorize the formation of a Field Reference Committee in each of the annual Conferences or missions in foreign fields, each Field Reference Committee to be elected annually by its respective annual Conference or mission.

Each Field Reference Committee shall be composed of such workers as each Conference or mission shall elect.

The duty of said Field Reference Committee shall be to consider all matters of general interest arising during the interims of their annual meetings or Conferences, and to report the same to the Reference Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

No communication to the home Reference Committee shall be considered official without the signature of the chairman or secretary of the Field Reference Committee.

Said Field Reference Committee may meet at stated times, or on call, according to their discretion. A majority vote of said Reference Committee shall be binding.

Any action requiring the sanction of the home authorities must be made through the Field Reference Committee.

This measure is intended in no way to prevent individual presentation to home authorities, but simply to indicate and maintain the purposes of the mission or conference as a unit.

Signed,

FANNIE A. PERKINS, *Burma.*
AUGUSTA DICKERSON, *Hakodate, Japan.*
ANNA D. GLOSS, *Peking, China.*
ANNA E. STEERE, *Tai au, North China.*
GERTRUDE GILMAN, *Peking, China.*
MINNIE E. WILSON, *Hing-hua, China.*
MARY M. CUTLER, *Seoul, Korea.*
LOUISA C. ROTHWEILER, *Seoul, Korea.*
MARY E. WILSON, *Bareilly, India.*
JULIA BONAFIELD, *Foochow, China.*
EMMA SCOTT, *Brindaban, India.*
ALICE A. EVANS, *Hyderabad, India.*
HARRIET S. ALLING, *Tokyo, Japan.*
REBECCA J. WATSON, *Tokyo, Japan.*
ELSIE WOOD, *Lima, Peru.*
E. A. LEWIS, *Seoul, Korea.*
MARY E. SHOCKLEY, *Tientsin, China.*
LIDA B. SMITH, *Kagoshima, Japan.*
MARY PORTER GAMEWELL, *Peking, China.*
PHEBE C. WELLS, *Foochow, China.*
ISABEL WAIDMAN, *Buenos Ayres, S. Am.*
CHRISTINA LAWSON, *Bombay, India.*
CHARLOTTE M. JEWELL, *Peking, China.*

Report of Committee on Resolutions.

We, the members of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in General Executive Committee assembled, do most heartily "bless the Lord for all His benefits." We thank Him for having so wonderfully preserved, through threatened dangers from fire and from the deep, our beloved president, Mrs. C. D. Foss, together with her revered husband; and for having "saved for service" through another year our general officers, Branch secretaries, and so many of the great army of women to-day in the ranks of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

Mingled with the glad song of praise are sorrowful tones; and,

WHEREAS, Our great first representative on the foreign field has fallen at her post; therefore,

1. *Resolved*, That heaven is dearer and sweeter, and a "more to be desired city," since the promotion to its many mansions of our tenderly-loved, consecrated and gifted Isabella Thoburn. May we endeavor, by God's grace, more and more to emulate her example, following her record of taking no backward steps in the work she held so dear.

WHEREAS, The honored and beloved President of the United States has recently been taken from us by a most cruel and tragic death; and

WHEREAS, The whole church, as well as the nation, has hereby sustained an almost irreparable loss; therefore,

2. *Resolved*, That the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in executive session assembled, most deeply deplore this national calamity, while we magnify the grace of God, which so sustained him in his triumphant death that he lifted the whole world many leagues toward God and convinced the nations that our faith is a veritable reality. We extend our loving sympathy to that lonely heart at Canton, the one above all others so severely stricken, assuring her of our continued love and prayers. We recognize with joy that domestic life everywhere has been made more beautiful and sacred by the touching example of loving devotion set before us by President and Mrs. McKinley.

3. *Resolved*, That we express our heartfelt sorrow to our co-laborer, Mrs. E. W. Parker, in the loss of her husband, the lamented Bishop Parker, whose long life of successful missionary effort in India has been so recently crowned by a glorious death.

WHEREAS, God, in His infinite wisdom, has seen fit to take from the Rev. T. S. Johnson, of India, his beloved wife, we offer him our united sympathies, praying that the God of all patience and consolation may sustain him in his loss.

4. *Resolved*, That we also deeply sympathize with our bereaved sister, Mrs. Wm. X. Nind, widow of the saintly Bishop Nind, whose sudden translation on Jan. 3, 1901, shocked and grieved the entire Methodist Church. We also mourn with Mrs. Wm. A. Spencer in the great loss she, as well as the church, has sustained in the death of her devoted husband, the Rev. Dr. Wm. A. Spencer, secretary of the Church Extension Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

5. *Resolved*, That this body express, through its secretary, our sympathy with Mrs. Thomas Rich, one of the original founders of the Society, in the recent loss of her beloved husband, a good financial friend of this organization at its start.

6. *Resolved*, That our sincere sympathy is hereby extended to the perplexed and afflicted great American Board on account of the cruel capture and detention of their devoted missionary, Miss Ellen M. Stone, by the brigands of Bulgaria, and will devoutly and constantly pray for her speedy release.

WHEREAS, Mrs. C. S. Winchell, secretary of Minneapolis Branch, who has for many years rendered most efficient service, has, on account of ill-health, been obliged to resign; therefore,

7. *Resolved*, That we regret her resignation; and express the hope that a well earned rest may restore her to her usual vigor.

8. *Resolved*, That we welcome her successor, Mrs. I. W. Joyce, and pray she may be equally successful in her work.

WHEREAS, Mrs. J. T. Gracey has resigned the office of editor of *The Study*, therefore,

9. *Resolved*, That this General Executive Committee desires to express its high appreciation of the valuable work which she, for such a long period of years, has given to the preparation of *The Study*.

10. *Resolved*, That we fully reciprocate the cordial greetings received from the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Philadelphia and express our unqualified endorsement of the Anti-Canteen Law. We pledge our prayers to Mrs. Faxon, sister of our missionary to the Philippines, Mrs. Cornelia Moots, who goes to that country as a representative of Total Abstinence, Purity, and the White Ribbon Movement.

11. *Resolved*, That the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in executive session assembled and representing 177,000 women, petition the United States Congress, in the

interests of the womanhood of this and other lands, to pass the Anti-Polygamy Constitutional Amendment, now pending and to be voted on during the coming session.

12. *Resolved*, That, as a body, we appreciate most highly the gift of a free bed from Mrs. Henry Foster, of Clifton Springs Sanitarium, for the use of our missionaries; and extend to her sincere and heartfelt thanks.

13. *Resolved*, That we desire to express our obligation to the pastors and speakers who have made the evening meetings so successful; to the choir for musical selections; to the chairman of the Music Committee for untiring service; and to our returned missionaries, from whose addresses we have gained much instruction and a renewed interest in their work.

14. *Resolved*, That, as we turn our steps homeward from this beautiful City of Brotherly Love, we go with hearts full of gratitude to the Methodist churches, who have taken us into their homes with such kindness and cordiality, and have provided with such bountiful hospitality for our creature comforts at the noon and evening hours.

15. *Resolved*, That we extend most sincere thanks to the trustees and people of Park Avenue Church, who have furnished this executive body with a place of meeting so admirably adapted to its wants; to Mrs. S. P. Darlington and the host of local committees she has so skillfully marshaled; to Mrs. D. Daily for the gift of the beautifully painted motto of our society, and for the dainty souvenir we shall treasure as a reminder of her graceful attention; to the patient young people who have served as pages and in the post-office, bringing to us daily many white-winged messengers from dear ones left at home; and to the janitor of the church for constant and unfailing attendance. Our thanks are also due the representatives of the press, who have reported our proceedings from time to time; and to the railway companies for substantial favors.

16. *Resolved*, That we gratefully acknowledge our indebtedness for cordial invitations to visit the Methodist Home for the Aged, the Hospital and Orphanage; and to Mrs. Bishop Foss for the delightful reception tendered the delegates and visitors at her hospitable home.

17. *Resolved*, That as we go to resume our labors in our Father's vineyard, we will carry with us a deeper realization of our union as branches of the One Great Vine, praying that during the year to come we may never forget our Lord's own words: "He that abideth in Me, and I in Him, the same bringeth forth much fruit."

MRS. S. D. LA FETRA,
MRS. A. J. CLARKE,
MRS. Z. L. PARMELEE.

Report of Home Work.

NEW ENGLAND BRANCH.

This Branch Includes the New England States.

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As we review the work of the thirty-second year of New England Branch history in the "home" field, we find abundant cause to exclaim with Israel's shepherd king, "O come, let us sing unto the Lord, let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; for He hath dealt very graciously with us."

The earliest days of the missionary year were very busy, hopeful ones, full of anticipation of the great privilege of receiving and entertaining the legislative body of this society for the fifth time since its organization in March, 1869, when eight elect ladies, moved by a mighty God-given courage, covenanted together to launch the Life-Boat which should bear the joyful tidings of redemption to our sisters in the dark places of the earth—labeled, "Woman's Foreign Missionary Society." Eight members had grown to 150,000 in numbers, besides the 17,000 in Children's Bands, as reported at our General Executive meeting in Worcester in 1900. Surely this prophecy is being fulfilled: "A little one shall become a thousand, and a small one a strong nation. I, the Lord, will hasten it."

The presence of this body of Christian workers, representative women from the different Branches as chosen delegates, and the missionaries home on furlough, more in number than have ever been present at any previous meeting of the committee, added greatly to the interest of the occasion, commanding the attention and respect of all denominations, making a very favorable impression, and giving a fresh inspiration to our work, not only in the immediate, but in the more remote sections of the Branch, which were favored with having representatives present for the whole or a part of the time during the meeting.

While all our hopes may not have been realized in immediate and visible results, we are sure of an increase of interest in the *missionaries*, which must eventuate in a desire to know more about their work. We have never been very successful in so far conquering prejudice or indifference on this subject of making the salaries of missionaries and assistants "Special Work," until quite recently it has come into favor. It is true that there have been a few exceptions, but shares in the salary of a *missionary* have not been in demand; but we are coming to find there is quite a change taking place on this line, and we may say that this object as arranged for in the new movement, known *now* as the "Standard Bearers," is very popular, and we trust will prove a real educational feature of the work. One of the most encouraging items in the year's work has been the grand advance along the line of Young Women's work. And this must be encouraging and helpful to the missionaries in the field to know that there are hundreds of young, throbbing hearts praying daily for them.

To our faithful conference and district officers great commendation is due for their devotion and untiring efforts, which have given to a very large extent the success of the year; but we must not forget that the gifts and sacrifices and prayers of good, faithful women in the "rank and file" of our Auxiliaries, whose names are not recorded as officers, are to be large sharers in the results achieved; their names may be unknown to us, but we are sure that He whom we love and serve keeps the record, and His "well done" will be the loving, royal meed for what we as *individuals* have done, faithful "according to our several ability."

We regret to lose from our list of district secretaries eight who have served during the year, but for good reasons have felt obliged to resign, or to decline a re-nomination for the ensuing year, and others have been appointed to fill their places. Mrs. James, who has given twenty years of most valuable service as conference secretary, on account of severe trouble with her eyes, is compelled to seek relief from its cares, and we regret more than words can express this providence that removes this consecrated, discreet and efficient worker and leader from the position she has so ably filled.

We have been favored with an unusual amount of service from our missionaries at home on furlough.

Misses Young, Todd and Croucher have returned to China from America, and Miss Glover and Collier, who were in Japan after their enforced flight from China, have returned to their work in North and West China. Miss Moore has been sent to Guanajuato, Mexico, and Miss Reddick to India. Miss Marriott to Ing Chang, China, to be associated with Miss Todd. Miss Miller is ready for Korea, and Miss Harvey must also have a place among new or returning missionaries. Dr. Terry, who is in the Medical College in Chicago for a post-graduate course, and Miss Gilman, who may be available here in the home field, will welcome most heartily the call to return to China whenever the demand is made for their services there.

We are pained to announce the home-coming of Mrs. Scranton and yet we are very grateful that she was equal to the long journey under the watchful care of her son as physician and nurse, and is in the Sanitarium at Clifton Springs, where we have a hope that she may receive some benefit; but "as God willeth, so let it be" with his faithful toiler who has given so many years of efficient work in Korea, laying strong foundations for the future of our work in that field.

Our Branch Headquarters and Depot of Supplies are becoming increasingly useful and, as the amount of our literature to be sent out is increasing, we emphasize this agency as a *very* important factor in advancing the interests of the Society.

We regret exceedingly the falling off in our subscriptions to both the *Woman's Missionary Friend* and the *Children's Friend.* We hope we may be able to redeem ourselves another year by making a successful effort to reach one copy of the first named for every five members, and the *Children's Friend* ought to be doubled in its list. *The Study* has made quite a little gain and it will be still more valuable with the new Text Book, which will follow the line of study adopted by all the Woman's Missionary Societies in this course of systematic study, with the many helps which are now available.

MRS. L. A. ALDERMAN, Corresponding Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance October 1, 1900	$ 4,782.86
Receipts from Oct. 1, 1900, to Oct. 1, 1901	46,979.61
	$ 51,762.47

DISBURSEMENTS.

India	$12,469.66	
Malaysia	1,570.00	
Korea	1,507.54	
Japan	2,880.00	
China	8,956.60	
Bulgaria	280.00	
Italy	312.00	
South America	2,898.77	
Mexico	1,880.00	
Home salaries, out-going and home-coming expenses of Missionaries	5,340.09	
Miscellaneous	2,423.91	
Investment of Scholarship Fund	500.00	
Annuity Fund	2,500.00	
		$ 43,518.00
Balance Oct. 1, 1901		$ 8,243.90
Due Twentieth Century Thank Offering Fund		12,811.62

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The thirty-first year of the New York Branch is not behind former years in faithful service, earnest prayer and a good degree of success in all departments. We come to its close sorry indeed that all we desired and planned has not come to pass, but grateful for what we have been enabled to do.

The conference and district officers have been faithful to their trust and equal to emergencies.

The itineraries planned by the Committee, and the circulation of foreign letters have added much to the information and interest in many auxiliaries, as is shown in additional members and the formation of new societies.

There has been a large increase in special work, one feature of which has been the support of missionaries by auxiliaries, districts and conferences, which plan we particularly approve.

The new arrangement of young woman's work under the Branch Superintendent, Miss Ella P. Chase, through which Miss Lulu A. Miller is supported by newly organized young woman's societies, meets with general favor.

During the year Miss English has returned to her work in Bareilly Orphanage, India ; Dr. May Carleton to Ming Chiang, China, and Mrs. Rasmussen has been sent to Africa ; Miss Plumb has gone to Foo Chow and Miss Linam to Ku Cheng, China ; Miss Estey and Miss Hammond to Korea, and Miss Le Huray to South America.

The following missionaries of this Branch are now in this country: Mrs. Scranton, Dr. Hall, Dr. Cutler from Korea ; Miss Smith, from Japan ; Miss Waidman and Miss Wood, from South America ; Mrs. Jewell and Miss Wells, from China. We are glad to see them at home, and hope that during the coming year many of them will be able to return to the work.

The letters received from Bishop Moore speak in the highest terms of our missionaries, but he deplores the great lack of workers to supply the vacant places and meet the ever-widening opportunities. We sympathize with this feeling on the part of the bishop, and we are glad to say there are women ready to go, if only the necessary funds could be supplied.

We are encouraged with the return of our missionaries to the work in Central China, and also of again opening our work in North China, land having been secured for building the Girls' School in Pekin.

We are sorry to note a small decrease in subscriptions to the *Woman's Missionary Friend.* There is an advance in all other periodicals.

Branch headquarters has been a marvelous help in all missionary affairs. We rejoice in the reunions with missionaries going to and coming from the foreign fields; in the increasing sales of literature, and in the number of volunteer helpers who assist the office secretary in her arduous duties.

We have had a year of sad experience because of the departure of our dear Miss Thoburn and Bishop Parker.

We depend upon the help and guidance of the Holy Spirit to supply these vacancies, which are beyond our human understanding.

MRS. H. B. SKIDMORE,
Corresponding Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts from October 1, 1900, to October 1, 1901	$ 65,901 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

India and Malaysia (Thank Offering, $1,820)	$ 29,508 33
China (Thank Offering, $220)	9,312 50
Japan	8,050 00
Korea (Thank Offering, $3,000)	10,320 99
Rome (Thank Offering, $350)	2,010 00
South America	4,889 00
Mexico	1,535 00
Bulgaria	190 00
Africa	875 00
Total Foreign Disbursements	$ 66,690 82
To Folts Institute (Thank Offering, $217)	217 00
Branch Contingent Funds	3,205 39
Deficit October 1, 1900	3,159 28
Total Disbursements	$ 73,272 49

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The prophet Daniel tells us that a time should come when "the people that do know their God shall be strong and do exploits, and they that understand among the people shall instruct many," when the whole Church shall move forward as one man, as Hudson Taylor says, "in self-denial to the point of suffering," the whole world shall hear the message and many shall obey and follow the Lord. We are yet very far from that consummation, yet some are giving themselves, and the number is daily increasing, in self-denial to the point of inconvenience and even suffering. It is a measure of this spirit in many women of the Philadelphia Branch which has brought the success we report.

At the Annual Meeting of one year ago, in a solemn hour of prayer and consecration, the conference and district officers of Philadelphia Branch pledged, with God's help, to do their utmost to raise the full amount of Branch appropriations, exclusive of thank offerings and extra funds. That the amount collected did not quite measure up to the aim fixed is not due to lack of effort by these consecrated women. The Lord was mindful of the loyal struggles, some bequests were paid, some unlooked for balances came to light, and to-day, with God's blessing on the work, we come up to the annual reckoning with every appropriation met, and start the year with enough for present needs.

The Philadelphia Branch holds on its roll two native missionary physicians, each of them the first of their profession in their own country. Dr. Hu King Eng who commenced medical work in China in 1895, and Dr. Esther Pak who has but just completed her first year as a physician in Korea, and has already been called to take the work of one of our American doctors whose health demanded a return to her home. Dr. Hu for two years has had charge of a hospital in the native city of Foochow. Her success has exceeded our expectations, and the spiritual results of the work under her care are most gratifying. The statistics are: Number of patients seen at hospital, dispensary and homes 14,295; total number of hearers of the Gospel through the hospital 27,577. Of these fifty have joined the church, forty-four being probationers, and nineteen have been baptized. The Philadelphia Branch has given as one of its thank offerings $3,500 for the building of a new hospital to supersede the present small, inconvenient and badly situated one now in use in Foo Chow.

Our one American medical missionary, Dr. R. R. Benn, after passing through the siege of Tientsin, of which she sent us such thrilling accounts, went to Peking to assist in building up the work in that desolated, fire ravaged city. When it was safe to transport the school to Tientsin, she returned to her former appointment and does with her might what her hands find to do, either in the line of her profession, or otherwise.

The Branch is favored with two self-supporting foreign workers, who have gone out from us at their own expense, but are working with enthusiasm and acceptability. One Miss Jeannie Adams of Pittsburg, is in Foochow in charge of a large industrial work, which thus far has been self-supporting, but is now needing another helper and more patronage. Miss Alice Llewellyn is in Rome assisting Miss Vickery, making herself useful in many departments. These labor in the Lord, and their labor is not in vain, and both are proving valuable additions to our working force.

We are supporting six missionaries belonging to the Japan Mission, two of whom have very recently returned to the home land. Miss Augusta Dickerson from Hakodate, Japan, has been called to mourn the loss of her father, one of the retired preachers of Philadelphia Conference, since her return. Miss Clarissa Spencer, who has been home less than two weeks, did not arrive in time to see her father, who after a short, severe illness was called away from an honored position in the church, and from the midst of a most active, useful life. Miss Matilda Spencer has returned to Tokyo after a detention at home of more than three years. Three missionaries in China, three in India, one in Burma, two in Korea and four in Mexico complete our nineteen missionaries in addition to the two who are self-supporting, with two candidates, one of whom expects to start for Mexico in a few days and the other for Japan before another Annual Meeting.

The Bible-woman's training schools, of which two are entirely under our care, give promise of speedy reinforcement to our evangelistic forces in the field. One of these is in Baroda, India, the other in Seoul, Korea. Many of the women seeking instruction have had sad histories, and having found the Christ, who never turned away from an unhappy woman, are longing to lead others to the source of rest and peace. Experienced in the woes of life, they can be friends to the sorrowing, and teach them the power of faith. As one has said, "no one can reach four feet from his own body." If we would reach hearts we must be close to them. Our missionaries, appalled at the thickly gathering work around them, reaching far out beyond their utmost reach, or even vision, feel that in teaching these women they are multiplying themselves many times, and setting in motion centers of influence that stretch out indefinitely beyond their personal limitations.

Philadelphia Branch supports nineteen missionaries, forty teachers and assistants, fifty-six Bible-women, one kindergarten, one medical home, two training schools, seventeen day schools, 311 scholarships, besides matrons and helpers in schools and hospitals, and many other items necessary for the prosecution of the work.

MRS. S. L. KEEN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

September 30, 1900.	Balance on hand	$ 5,003.02
	Total receipts for year	41,657.52
	Grand total	$46,660.54
	Disbursements	$37,592.42
October 1, 1901.	Balance	$ 9,068.12

DISBURSEMENTS.

India	$11,640.04
China	3,952.00
Japan	5,280.37
Korea	1,350.00
Bulgaria	240.00
Italy	400.00
Mexico	4,750.00
South America	295.00
Africa	100.00
Traveling expenses of Missionary to Japan	300.00
Salary of Missionary at home	225.00
Two thousand mite boxes	98.01
Marathi Edition Woman's Friend	250.00

FROM THANK OFFERING.

Korea	$ 500.00
Baroda Orphanage	952.00
Hospital at Foochow	3,500.00
Crandon Hall, Rome	2,500.00
Cawnpore High School	1,000.00
Lucknow Woman's College	262.00
Total Disbursements	$37,592.42
Balance October 1, 1901	9,068.12

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The perseverance of the saints has had fair illustration in the twelve months just passed in the work of conference and district secretaries, in agents and superintendents of special departments, as well as in the great majority of officers of auxiliaries. To their self-forgetful, faithful labors, and to our ever ready, wise president must be accorded in large measure the success which the treasurer's report will reveal.

We congratulate the Branch and the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society upon the election of Mrs. Jenison, of Jacksonville, Florida, as secretary of St. John's River Conference, also upon the formation of a District Association in Virginia Conference. We do not report any very marked numerical increase in organizations, but a decided increase in members. The services of Dr. and Mrs. Rudisill and Miss Grace Stephens and Sooboonagam Ammal have made large contributions in this direc-

tion, and the straightforward, pathetic story of the Tientsin siege, told by Miss Miranda Croucher, made an ineffaceable record in the minds of all who heard. Services have been led—with one exception—on each of our camp grounds, to the satisfaction of those who had charge, and our annual excursion upon the bay is increasingly popular, and very helpful to our ever hungry contingent treasury. We have received $400 from the Elizabeth Snyder estate, and the Adelaide Sherman will, which has been in litigation since 1894, has been decided in our favor, and the money, something over four thousand dollars, will soon be received. This amount is about one-third what the testator designed we should have, and all because the prescribed form of will and devise was not followed. The Branch has issued 3,000 copies of its Annual Report and 3,000 of Triumphs of the Cross, by Miss Grace Stephens, also a few leaflets for local use. More attention is being given to our depot of supplies, the sales of literature and subscriptions to our excellent periodicals are far below what they merit and we desire. Christmas boxes have been sent out to make glad the hearts of our beloved missionaries, their helpers and those committed to their care. Mite-boxes are coming into general favor, and in returns Washington district is entitled to the banner, having contributed $700 through this medium. Since the last meeting of the General Executive Committee we count two additional missionaries—Miss Ruth Robinson in Bombay and Mrs. Susan Tippet in Foochow. We have with us two of our blessed band, Miss E. A. Lewis, of Seoul, Korea, and Miss Anna Gallimore, of Aligarh, North-West India, and while I speak to you our precious ones from Madras, Miss Stephens and Sooboonagam, are on the good ship St. Paul, passing down New York Bay, their faces set steadfastly toward their own beloved India. It is no misappropriation to say "the Lord gave; the Lord is taking away. Blessed be the name of the Lord." E. B. STEVENS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts From Districts and Conferences	$ 13,548.21
Miscellaneous	2,451.15
Total	$ 15,999.36
Balance at beginning of year	5,170.87
Grand total	$ 21,170.23
Total disbursements	15,837.95
Balance	$ 5,332.28
20th Century Thank-Offering	1,819.32
Light Little Bearers	141.85
Total for 20th Century Offering	$ 5,783.66

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As surely as seed-time is followed by harvest, as the well tilled fields enriched by the early and the latter rain bring forth "seed to the sower and bread to the eater," so surely in God's harvest field of the world, from faithful, well-directed effort, under God's blessing, we cannot only expect but *claim* a rich future. The annual meeting of the Cincinnati Branch closed a year of most faithful effort, and after reviewing the way our God had led us, with gratitude for help when help was needed, and an abiding trust that He who had led, would lead us still, with renewed hope and courage we face the responsibilities of another year.

At a time of unusual excitement, when many distractions have drawn away the thought of the people from all regularly organized work, we have found among the faithful ones, "not a few," who have "continued to build," and that there are no more "breaches in the wall" is due to their efforts. The conference and district secretaries have given faithful service and again it should be recorded that no more loyal, helpful band of officers can be found than these "true yokefellows" of the Cincinnati Branch. There will be some breaks in the long line of service in Branch officers that will be keenly felt, but God's work goes on, though he says sometimes to a tired worker, "Come apart and rest awhile," and to some other one, "Come up higher."

The Twentieth Century Offering has been presented again during the year. Some pledges will be met in the closing months of 1901. It was hoped that the full sum assigned the Branch would have been met by this time and had all pledges been met it should have been done. While much has been done in the way of spreading missionary interest, by our Branch officers, "there still remaineth much land to be possessed." Last year Dr. Donahue was with us and added many new members to our list.

Our conference and district secretaries are busy women, carrying heavy burdens in their home churches, and yet they have filled the months with blessed service. A branch organizer seems to be a necessity as the various lines of church work increase, and the burden grows heavier year by year. With "shame and confusion of face" we must acknowledge an aggregate falling off in the subscription lists to our periodicals of 535. *The Study* subscription list is the one cheerful item in connection with our literature. Several promised bequests which were counted on to help out the year's pledges failed to reach the treasurer. Only a little over $100 was received from this source in the year. Mite boxes were most vigorously sent out by our wide-awake committee and the growth in numbers year by year is very gratifying. Then while there have been new organizations in the different conferences there have been others that have "fallen on sleep," but who cannot claim the blessing promised to those "who die in the Lord."

While the total receipts are very large, so much has been given for special work and twentieth century fund that the Branch indebtedness, though reduced, is still with us, a very sore "thorn of the flesh" that will soon be removed if prayer and faith and works can accomplish it. The district conventions have been very spiritual meetings this year and the conference anniversaries also. The annual meeting of the Branch was held in St. Paul's Church, Toledo, and was a remarkable one in many respects, and all felt that God was there in a peculiar way and that better work and truer consecration will follow. A common sorrow united all hearts, and the dear Lord was there in blessed, comforting assurance that all things will work together for good to those who love Him. Twenty-seven missionaries belonging to the Cincinnati Branch are in the field. Miss Kidwell has just returned to Japan. Misses Bonafield and Shockley from China, Miss Bing from Japan and Dr. Emma Scott of India, have reached home since our last meeting. One, the first on the list, "is not," for God took her, and we are trying to say "It is well."

The Cincinnati Branch stands pledged to unite with sister Branches in a forward movement that will make history for those who will come after us.

MRS. B. R. COWEN,
Corresponding Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts—Balance October 1, 1900,	$ 1,255.46
(20th Century, $20,286.96) Receipts for the year,	57,013.48
Total receipts,	$ 58,268.94
Total disbursements,	57,624.13
Balance on hand October 1st, 1901,	$ 644.63

DISBURSEMENTS.

Total for India and Malaysia,	$ 16,000.00	
" " Manila,	1,200.00	
" " China,	5,650.00	
" " Japan,	10,680.34	
" " Korea,	3,900.00	
" " Mexico,	2,550.00	
" " Italy,	300.00	
		$ 40,280.34
Twentieth Century Thank Offering fund,		$ 13,445.00
Home salaries.		1,825.00
Expenses of missionaries,		530.61
Branch contingent expenses,		618.00
Miscellaneous expenses,		925.36
Total disbursements,		$ 57,624.31

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The retrospect of the year which has just closed furnishes us the most abundant reason for gratitude and thanksgiving, on account of the success that has crowned all of our efforts and enterprises, and for the peace, unity and comfort which have prevailed throughout all our borders. Surely a kindly Providence has had us in His keeping and to His favor we are indebted for a gratifying prosperity.

The fidelity and assiduity of the noble band of workers, who make up the constituency of the Northwestern Branch, have never been more thoroughly or successfully vindicated than during this last year of our history. In these respects the experiences of previous years could scarcely be exceeded. To be able to report that there has not been any depreciation either in earnestness of effort, or enthusiasm for the cause which we all love, is to speak in terms of the highest commendation, and this meed of praise has been fully earned.

It is true that the receipts for this year do not quite equal the receipts for the previous year, but this loss is not attributable to a decrease in the receipts from personal contributors. From every conference in the Branch the receipts from auxiliaries have been increased. The amount received from legacies, however, does not equal the sums received from that source in the preceding year. This last must necessarily be an inconstant source of revenue and the amount received will surely vary from year to year.

The Twentieth Century Thank Offering has been generous. The amount which was pledged in 1899 has not only been raised, but has been largely exceeded. The total offering for the three years is $68,194.00.

It was a part of our plan to supplement the thank offering movement, with an effort to add ten thousand new members to our ranks during the thank offering period. This object was not realized. Early in the year a "New Membership" crusade was inaugurated in many of the conferences, and a considerable success was achieved. The conference secretaries report that the efforts thus put forth resulted in largely increasing the general interests in the Society, and while all that was desired has not yet been secured, it is hoped that the campaign will be carried into this year's work and that it will not fail of its object. Just what is to be done to secure new members and to retain our hold upon all of those, who from time to time come into the ranks, is a mystifying problem. Perhaps it can never be fully worked out, because methods must be modified to suit the varying conditions of different localities. But under all circumstances the dissemination of missionary news and literature, and especially that information which deals with cases of individual experiences, may be used with great advantage.

In the report as to the third item of our thank offering effort, there will be found no cause for congratulation. A decrease of two hundred and fifty-four in the list of subscribers to the *Friend*, is an occasion for sincere regret. A regret, not only, and not mainly, because of the lack of support which the paper experiences, but because of its value in the way of promoting interest and zeal in our missionary enterprise. To those of us who have learned to anticipate its coming and to read its pages carefully, it seems inexplicable that every one does not find it practically indispensable, but the fact remains that in our Northwestern Branch, scarcely one member in seven is a subscriber to the paper.

The effort to interest the young women in missionary matters is meeting with a success that is encouraging. A good beginning has been made in that direction, and there seems to be a substantial basis for the expectation that during the present year this work will meet with increasingly favorable results. Miss Harriet L. Kemper has, in addition to her work as conference secretary, found time to initiate many plans for interesting the young people, and new organizations of the younger class are constantly being reported.

The membership of the various "Children's Bands" and of the "Little Light Bearers" shows a gratifying increase. The fact that the support of a special missionary in whom they shall have an entire proprietary interest, has been assigned to them, will, it is believed, greatly increase their enthusiasm and render their interest in the work permanent.

The watchword "Missions" which was adopted for this year by the Epworth League, is hailed by us as it must be by every missionary worker, as an omen of success. Its educational effect can scarcely be estimated. That this great organization of young people shall by its use, familiarize themselves with what now constitutes the most urgent need of the Christian world, and shall consciously realize that among all the demands which are made on them for service, none is more importunate, and none has the sanction of a higher authority than that which commands, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," and that the opportunity to be co-workers with God in securing the salvation of the world is the greatest and most glorious privilege that can be offered to any one, then shall it be seen that an impetus has been given to the great missionary enterprise which renders possible the realization of the poet's prophecy of the conversion of "a nation in a day."

The work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has been prominently called to the attention of those who have been present at the camp-meeting services, which have been held in many of the conferences. In addition to the platform meetings which have been provided

for, there have been held daily meetings for conference and special prayer for missions and missionaries. There has also been on hand an abundance of our best literature, some of which was sold and part of which was for free distribution. On the Epworth camp-ground, near to Rockford, Illinois, a missionary cottage has been built, and this will serve as a center for missionary information and interest in all the future.

The Branch headquarters are still maintained at Room 408, No. 57 Washington Street, Chicago, and is a hive of missionary work. Here is to be found at all times the office secretary of the Branch, and also on one day in each week, the chairman of the Literature Committee. As the result of the fidelity and enterprise of these elect women, the sales of the Society's various publications amounted last year to $1640.

The credentials of five young women, who are candidates for missionary service, have been formally considered by the Branch Candidate Committee. Of these Miss Grace Woods has been appointed to Kolar and Miss Fannie Bennett to Jubbulpore. The others will be presented to the Committee for examination at this session.

Our record of new missionaries sent out this year does not equal the record of one year ago. Miss Abbott has been sent to Muttra and Dr. Lewis to the Bareilly hospital, and these two missionaries constitute our entire contribution to the ranks of new workers for the year. Two young women are pursuing their medical studies at Northwestern University Woman's Medical School. They give promise of special excellence in both professional and Christian work.

A larger number of missionaries than is usual, have been at home on furlough. Those who were called in from their several stations during the troubles in China, and whose vacations were nearly due, availed themselves of that opportunity to return home, so that they might be ready for service when it should be found advisable to re-open their work. Others are with us on account of impaired health, which rendered change and rest imperative.

Miss Mary Wilson of Bareilly, and Miss Benthein from India, Doctors Gloss and Ketring, Miss Minnie Wilson and the Misses Mary and Sarah Peters from China, Mrs. Van Petten and Miss Alling from Japan and Miss Beazell from Italy, are those who have been with us some portion of the past year. Of this number, Mrs. Van Petten and the Misses Peters have returned to their stations, none of them having enjoyed the full year of rest to which she was entitled. Miss Heaton, who came home from Japan two years ago on account of ill health, has entirely recovered and has returned to duty. Dr. Lyon remained with us only a few months, and Miss Shaw is now on her way to Nanking. All of these workers rendered excellent service to the cause while they were among us.

They were eager to "speak the things that they knew," and "to testify what they had seen," and they went up and down throughout the length and breadth of the Branch, quickening the interest and intensifying the zeal of all who came under their influence.

We drop from the roll of our missionaries the name of Mrs. Cora Zentmire Brewster, who constituted our contribution to the mission work in Africa. Though Quessua is said to be a place "beautiful for situation," and to have a comparatively healthful climate, yet it proved to be most inhospitable to our missionary. She suffered almost continually from fever or other ailments, so that it was evident that she could not live long in that locality. On December 26th, in company with her husband, to whom she had been married on Thanksgiving Day, she sailed for the home which she was destined never to see. Day by day, her life ebbed away until one morning, while uttering the prayer, "Help us to say, Thy will be done, and to do Thine own will for Jesus' sake," she fell asleep. The next morning at four o'clock, as the sun's rays were lighting up the eastern sky, a little company gathered upon the deck of the ship, the engines were stilled, the beautiful burial service of the church was read, and then the great ocean, "whose voice is like the cry of our poor humanity, with its great sorrows and its broken hopes," received the body of our missionary. But He who proclaimed Himself, "the resurrection and the life," had taken her spirit to join the innumerable company of the saints in Heaven.

With every other Branch this Branch has sorrowed over the departure of our first missionary. For the first time in many years her letter of greeting to our annual meeting was not received. Isabella Thoburn was a peerless woman, and to-day, not only India, but the whole world mourns for her and reveres her memory. Everywhere her name stood for that which was best and truest in Christian womanhood. Though we miss her bodily presence, may we not believe that she is still with us, for

> "Angels and living saints and dead
> But one communion make."

And now, as a final word, let it be admitted that there is in the Northwestern Branch, to a certain extent, some feeling of disappointment because the receipts for the year have not quite fulfilled the measure of our hopes, yet we are not therefore, in any sense discouraged. We feel an inspiration to still greater diligence, an assurance of still greater achievement. Every woman who was present at our annual meeting, returned to her home with a fixed purpose to do even better work than had ever yet been accomplished, to devise new plans for enlisting the sympathy and active co-operation of the thousands who have not yet realized the

joy that comes to those who have learned that by lives of sacrifice and of service we are brought into closest communion with Him in whom all peace and joy and all fullness dwell. This determination constitutes our present firm reliance and our future hope. It has never yet happened that the women of this Branch have been appealed to in vain; it will not so happen now.

With a fidelity that knows no wearying, with a faith that never wavers, and with a reliance upon the great Master for every needed guidance and support, they will address themselves to the work which lies before them and they will succeed.

MRS. F. P. CRANDON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance October 1st, 1900	$ 9,120.06	
Receipts October 1st, 1900, to October 1st, 1901	102,612.48	
Grand total		$111,732.54
Total disbursements		96,749.34
Balance Oct. 1st, 1901		14,983.20

DISBURSEMENTS.

India	$ 33,442.94	
China	18,160.20	
Japan	8,870.00	
Italy	11,443.66	
South America	5,300.00	
Mexico	4,450.00	
Bulgaria	1,938.02	
Korea	450.00	
Malaysia	486.00	
Switzerland	225.00	
Germany	300.00	
Africa	875.00	
Manila	680.00	
Total		$86,620.82
Outfit and traveling expenses of out-going and returning missionaries	3,461.88	
Salary of missionaries home on leave of absence	3,292.77	
Medical education and supplies	220.00	
Miscellaneous	3,153.87	
Total		$10,128.52
Total disbursements		$ 96,749.34

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The 18th year's history of Des Moines Branch will long be a marked one. It has indeed been a year of our Lord. Many times we have exclaimed, "The Lord hath done this, who is like unto Him, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders." This is a broad statement to follow decreases not only in numbers but in subscriptions to all our literature except the *German Friend*, and yet it is true that the year has been more successful than any former one.

At the close of the last Executive Committee Misses Wood and Miller sailed for India, one to locate in Bombay, and the other to her old field in Hyderabad.

Before the month ended we were called upon to mourn the death of the first of our missionaries who has been called from active service to reward. Miss McKibben had gone so joyfully to Mexico but seven months before. We have seldom sent out a young woman with a stronger constitution or better equipment for foreign work, but the summons came suddenly and she went cheerfully and quietly to her long home.

The next month our Miss Griffiths, quite restored to health, returned to Japan, to be joyfully welcomed by her associates. By this time the heavy pressure of the expenses of our exiled Chinese missionaries began to fall heavily upon us. Miss Wilson returned from Japan to North China, Dr. Mary Stone to Central China and Miss Manning to West China. The Sendai debt loomed up suddenly with an unexpected demand for prompt payment. Money was borrowed in larger sums than ever before, until the treasurer cried out, "How can we endure, to borrow so much money?" But we did it. About this time came letters that

aroused our solicitude for Miss Perkins; though not sick, ten years of steady, hard work in Burma had laid her aside, but she could not come home until some one was sent to take her place. Other departments in Rangoon were suffering and the only thing to be done was to let our people know the needs. Miss Moss took the letters and at the expense of her department sent them out by the hundreds, calling for money to send the missionaries. Four offered almost immediately for this needy field. In due time Miss Stockwell, her sister Grace and Miss Wells for Hyderabad started on their long journey by way of the Pacific to Burma. Before the month was out Mrs. Tippet and Miss Allen sailed for Foochow, China. In September Miss Lawson at the appointment of Bishop Thoburn, left our shores for India.

By this time one would have thought we would have to call a halt, but Miss Hyde and Miss Heafer were much broken in health by sickness and care in their large family at Jubbulpore, and we set about finding a matron who should be a good business woman, and know how to care for the bodies of the little ones committed to our trust. When we could not supply the money but the woman responded in the person of Miss Bennett of Northwestern Branch, Miss Hyde was so eager for her services that she offered to pay her expenses out from her own salary and furnish most of her support on the field. This arrangement has been consummated but another pressing demand is upon us for that station. *We must have a doctor soon for Jubbulpore.*

During the summer Miss Galloway tested her strength by frequent itineraries in Iowa and Missouri. She prayed and called on her friends to pray for a doctor, a trained nurse, a teacher and an evangelist for Chung King, China. Does God answer prayer? In one letter from Brookfield, Missouri, a fine doctor, a trained nurse who was superintendent of a hospital, another trained nurse and an evangelist offered their services for that very field. Two of them have sailed from San Francisco, with Miss Galloway, so that the doctor, the nurse and the evangelist go out together, and the teacher will follow later.

Miss Ogborn, too, rested and restored to health, was longing to return to Kiukiang. Her associates were calling her in earnest tones, and thousands of women about Nanchang, starving for the bread of life, needed her presence. Do you wonder that we said, "How can we ever do it?" But she went last week and will be the eleventh whose expenses have been met for the foreign field.

Another pleasant feature of the year's work which we report rejoicingly is that Mabel Sia is finishing her four years of study at Morning Side College, the auxiliaries and friends about Sioux City having furnished her contingent expenses. Her cousin Ruby has entered upon her

second year in Cornell College and her extra expenses are provided by Upper Iowa Conference. These girls are of a noble family. You will recall that it was Sia Sek Ong who said at a General Conference in this country a few years ago, "The conversion and Christian training of one Chinese woman means more in the redemption of China than that of twenty men." A remarkable statement from any Chinaman.

Another of these Oriental girls, May Hu, has entered upon her second year at Simpson College in Des Moines Conference. Miss Bonafield brought home with her from the same field, Bessie Ding, who was educated by the Society at Earlville, Iowa, and whose mother was instrumental in saving Miss Hartford's life in the Ku Cheng massacre. Bessie is known to us by some very delightful letters she has written to the *Friend.* Miss Bonafield of Cincinnati Branch has raised her incidental expenses in Virginia. These colleges furnish the girls with tuition, board and rooms, except in the case of Mabel, who has had her home all these years in Dr. Trimble's family. These girls are preparing as deaconess workers, when they return to their own land. They know their people as no foreigner ever can, and we have unbounded faith that with the advantages given them here, they will return to China to be a power among their own people.

The monthly day of fasting and prayer has been sacredly observed by many of our sisters and though a debt of more than ten thousand was hanging over us, the prayers were not all for funds, but that the spirit of the Lord Jesus might come into the hearts of the people so that they would intelligently know the needs of the heathen world and be zealous to extend Christ's kingdom to "every creature." Surely this prayer has been answered Again we bless the Lord with full hearts for a year of His own in Des Moines Branch.

Have we learned any valuable lessons by the burdens, trials and triumphs of this ended missionary year? Indeed, yes. We have learned that "the excellency of the power must be of God, and not of us." How hard the conference secretaries worked and most of the district officers! So many missionaries at home, and each one doing all in her power to interest and inform the indifferent, so many conventions, so much human effort. But members and organizations decreased. Then we "cried unto the Lord and He heard us." When we came to Him only, our debt was lifted in a way to make our treasurer sing for joy. Great as is this blessing from the Lord, we have a greater one in the accession of faith that God hears us "and if we know that He hears us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him." We have heard the great missionary to the Gentiles say to us,

"All things are for your sakes that the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many, redound to the glory of God." Not to us, for we failed, but to the glory of God.

In studying the New Orleans Missionary Conference we learned an added lesson. *Six* holy men prayed and asked God for $50,000, and He gave it to them in a few hours. So we may believe as did they, that "prayer and pains thro' faith in Jesus Christ will accomplish anything."

Our annual meeting was more largely attended and more enthusiastic than any former one. Four of the Conferences elected treasurers in order to lighten the burdens of our Branch treasurer, who is so constantly in the field, doing faithful work in organizing and arousing interest for the Society. There is not time to enumerate all the faithful ones who have contributed to the year's successes, but God knows them and they have the happy consciousness of having done devoted work for him.

We close with the prayer of Dr. Henry Van Dyke, "O, that the new day of Christian faith and hope and love might dawn upon our souls!"

O! that we might realize what it means to have a master who died for all men! O! that we might understand what it means to *believe* in a religion which is *given for the whole world.*

"Then should we come with exultant joy, with eager interest, with heartfelt prayers, with *overflowing gifts*, to redeem the partial failure, and consummate the full success of foreign missions."

MRS. M. S. HUSTON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance October 1, 1900	$ 1,767 85	
Receipts	41,393 50	
Total		$ 43,161 35
Disbursements		42,027 37
Balance on hand October 1, 1901		$ 1,133 98

DISBURSEMENTS BY COUNTRIES.

India	$ 23,933 60	
China	9,366 86	
Japan	5,340 00	
Mexico	1,055 00	
Italy	325 00	
Africa	290 00	
Miscellaneous	1,716 91	
Total		$ 42,027 37

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The Minneapolis Branch has just closed the eighteenth year of its history. Not nearly as large and strong and vigorous as we could wish, yet grateful for its place in the sisterhood of Branches, it pledges its loyalty to Christ and love for and faith in the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

The two cents a week and a prayer seem very insignificant in themselves, but in the hands of our glorious Leader they become mighty factors in the redemption of the world. These offerings, so small and seemingly insignificant, have, in the eighteen years, aggregated $167,777.34. Gleaned by countless hours and days of labor, representing much self-denial and even glad sacrifice, and sent on their way with prayer and thanksgiving, no wonder they have been freighted with power for the salvation of souls.

In the brief period of our history we have been privileged in placing thirteen heroic workers in the field with the fourteenth now speeding on her way and another waiting for the time when we can send her.

Besides this we have given to the work the youngest member in the Sisterhood, the pride and pet of all the others—the Columbia River Branch.

The last year we have not reached our high hopes and fond expectations, because of some altogether unexpected difficulties, and we regret that the sheaf we bring to this harvest home is not quite so large as the one we brought one year ago.

The secretary of our largest Conference began the year with intelligent enthusiasm, but just when ready to put her well-laid plans into execution her health failed and her work had to be dropped. Soon after this the Branch secretary was laid aside by illness and gave up the work. Then another faithful worker, Mrs. J. M. Heard, for fifteen years the recording secretary of the Branch, heard the summons to come up higher, and passed from labor to reward. Another loyal friend of our work, the treasurer of an auxiliary for many years, left us during the year, but, ere she entered the mansion prepared for her, testified her love for our society by leaving $1,000 to her auxiliary, the interest from which should be a perpetual gift to our work in West China. Her only daughter proposes to add $25 a year from her own earnings to carry on the work her mother loved.

We make grateful mention of the assistance received in the work during the year. First, Miss Rothweiler came to us and gave two months of most efficient service, visiting the German churches, organizing new auxiliaries and strengthening old ones. A glad welcome awaits her whenever she can return to us. In May, Mrs. Oldham, wife of the assistant missionary secretary, formerly of our Singapore mission, gave us ten days assisting at four district meetings, adding greatly to the interest and helpfulness of the work. Then, in August Miss Alvira Jacobson from Pakur, India, came to us and gave a month to work in the Scandinavian conferences and churches, adding ten new auxiliaries and 250 members. We heartily welcome this new constituency, believing we shall find them, like our German sisters, steadfast, loyal, true.

At our recent annual meeting, Dr. West, presiding elder of Penang District, gave us a thrilling account of the spread of the Gospel in Malaysia and the wonderful way the Lord is opening the doors and calling us to enter and take that island world for Him. We are indebted to Dr. West also for eloquent addresses at three of our recent Conference Anniversaries and to Bishop Cranston as well for a fourth.

Mite-boxes—The first serious loss of the year was occasioned by the removal of our enthusiastic mite-box secretary to Washington, D. C. Our loss has been their gain, and they now have Mrs. Woodward as their secretary of this work. Her successor, Mrs. Stewart, reports 1,035 boxes distributed during the year. Superintendents of Young Women's and Children's work have been added during the year who have put new life into these departments. The name Standard Bearer for the young peo-

ple was unanimously adopted at our recent annual meeting and the Superintendent of Bands reported 900 children enlisted in our work during the year, making a total of 2,280 enrolled.

The Committee on Twentieth Century Thank-Offering prepared for the observance of this glad occasion by issuing a leaflet setting forth the needs of the work and urging generous giving and the year's returns show $2,220.85 as a result.

The amount apportioned to our Branch at first was $6000, for the three years. The amount received has been $7486.93. To God be all the praise and glory.

Literature.—With deep regret we note a decrease of 100 subscribers to our *Woman's Friend.* While we believe our Branch still retains its place at the head of the list, as we still have one subscriber for every three and six tenths of our members, we still trust that by personal work we may bring a better report next year. The *Children's Friend* and *The Study* both have made a good increase during the year. Our *Branch Quarterly Review* has made commendable progress toward self-support and with its bright new Editor, Mrs. Lindsey, is becoming more and more indispensable to the work of the Branch.

One thousand copies of our Branch Report were issued and managed so as to be of small expense to the Society. Forty copies of the General Report, many more of the Leaflet Report were distributed, and also a goodly number of copies of the beautiful Prayer Calendar for 1901.

The Branch has issued two illustrated leaflets, one upon the work in Penang and the other a biographical sketch of Clara Martin, one of our missionaries there.

While still in session at Worcester, last fall, a call came for Miss Rouse's return to the field, and Thanksgiving eve she started again for China. On her arrival she was assigned to evangelistic work in the city of Foochow. In this as in everything she undertakes she has been most successful, but the coming of that dread visitant known as plague made it necessary to close her work in June and she wisely went to the hill sanitarium for rest during the hot months. She writes that she hopes to begin work again in September.

Miss Addie Goetz, an early friend of Miss Rouse and now a trained Deaconess, offered to accompany Miss Rouse and at the latter's earnest solicitation she was accepted by the Branch and sent out with her. Arriving on the field she was stationed at Hing-Hua where she feels she has found a most congenial life-work.

Miss Nicolaisen has become proficient in the use of the language and now has a promising boarding-school at Sieng Iu.

Miss Blackstock has had a most successful year with her industrial school of over seventy pupils.

Our four missionaries in Malaysia, Misses Blackmore and Cody in Singapore and Misses Martin and Ellis in Penang, have been abundant in labors and most happy in their blessed work.

Miss Ingram has been kept very busy in her daily round of visits in the homes in and around Lucknow, but is sorely stricken by the loss of her deeply loved and revered leader, our sainted Isabella Thoburn.

With the last month of the year came an urgent appeal from Chung King for a Superintendent for our Hospital there and Miss Christie Williams of Duluth, educated in our University and a graduate of our Asbury Hospital, with one year's study in the Chicago Training School and one year's experience as superintendent of a hospital in Missouri was accepted, hastily fitted out and one week ago to-day sailed out of the Golden Gate for our most remote station in the Orient. The love and prayers of the workers she represents will follow her on her perilous journey.

With profound gratitude for the privilege of service, the work which, for years, has been so large a part of my life is laid down in the glad assurance that He who has led us in the past will continue to lead you in the future from victory unto victory in the conquest of the world for Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

C. S. WINCHELL,
Corresponding Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on hand Oct. 1st, 1900	$ 5,560.81
Receipts from Oct. 1st, 1900 to Oct. 1st, 1901	13,133.06
Total	18,693.87
Disbursements	16,561.95
Balance Oct. 1st, 1901	$ 2,131.92

FOREIGN DISBURSEMENTS.

India	$ 2,880.00
China	3,749.56
Japan	1,800.00
Korea	52 00
Malaysia	7,050.00
Bulgaria	32.00
Italy	100.00
	$15,663.56

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A review of another year's work brings much encouragement. God has been with us in blessings abundant, and has honored the efforts put forth in his name.

We have added to our numbers twenty-one auxiliaries with four hundred and twenty-three members. Of this number ten were organized in the Swedish churches of Nebraska by Miss Jacobson, a missionary from Pakur, India, who, during the intense heat of July and August, went through this conference, where the people heard her gladly and in response to her appeals contributed four hundred dollars toward a new school building in Pakur.

Miss Grace Todd, Mrs. Mary Price Smith and Dr. Julia M. Donahue, in addition to our own missionary, Miss Watson from Japan, have given valuable help during the year.

Miss Swaney returned to Rosario in March, being absent from her post a little more than six months.

For the first time one of our missionaries has left us to join the ranks of the General Society. Miss L. E. Blackmar who went to India in 1872 and has taken no furlough for twenty years, married Rev. G. H. Gilder a presiding elder of the South India Conference.

Though we have lost one, three have been added to our missionary force.

Miss Emma Stockwell, given to us by the Des Moines Branch, sailed for Burmah in August, being appointed to the Burmese work in the city of Rangoon. Miss Isabel McKnight is in England enroute to India, and Miss Annie S. Winslow, transferred from the Northwestern Branch, sails in a few days, her destination Meerut, Northwest India Conference. Our Twentieth Century Thank-Offering is ten thousand dollars, one thousand more than our proportion of the two hundred thousand pledged.

There is a renewed interest in mite boxes, over two thousand being given out during the year.

The greatest need of our Branch is systematic, persistent work in the department of literature. The number of subscribers to the magazines remains about the same from year to year, and the sales from the depot of supplies do not materially advance.

The three days of our annual meeting were "red letter" days. Mrs. Mary C. Nind, Miss Stahl and Miss Watson gave us their best. An hour ever to be remembered was the one when Mrs. Sweet and Mrs. Nind spoke eloquent, loving words of Bishop Ninde, who for years was intimately associated with our Branch interests; and of Miss Thoburn, who completely won the hearts of our women in our annual gathering fourteen years before.

MISS M. WATSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance October 1st, 1900	$ 3,656.13
Receipts from October 1st, 1900, to October 1st, 1901	21,324.28
Total	$24,980.41
Disbursements	19,518.29
Balance October 1st, 1901	$ 5,462.12

MRS. A. M. DAVIS, *Treasurer.*

PACIFIC BRANCH.

Includes California, Nevada, Arizona and Hawaii.

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After the terrible strain of famine distress had passed, we had a year of comparative quiet and an increase in interest in our work that was most gratifying.

The tides of sympathy for the starving of India which had sent so much money into our treasury, ran low, as we knew they would; and while we do not report as large a total as we did last year, our regular receipts far exceed those of any other year of our history. Early in the year we borrowed money and paid off the Rangoon debt of $5,650, $4,000 of which had already been pledged by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and secured for our Society a fine property in the best part of Rangoon, worth more than $20,000, for a little more than one-fourth its value.

Later in the year a young woman offered us money to send two missionaries to Africa. As the work at Old Umtali had been supplied and we had in our midst a tried and true missionary who had spent thirteen years in Africa and was anxious to return, we persuaded our young friend to invest her money in Susan Collins, who is now crossing our continent on her way to her beloved Africa, her passage money and support for three years all given by our generous friend. May the hundred-fold in this life and life eternal, be the recompense of this dear young woman.

Although we have had a year of unusual activity and of educating our people, we regret that we must report a decrease in membership and subscriptions to our periodicals.

The final summing up has been a surprise to us, and we resolved to make the filling of broken ranks the first work of the new year. The continued illness of Miss Easton's mother still holds her away from India, where the need for her is so great. Miss Marks returned in May, much broken in health but full of years and love for Rajputana.

At the opening of the year Miss Holbrook was in Honolulu, working among the Japanese while affairs in China were being settled. In June she went to Japan, where she is teaching in our Aoyama school.

In September Dr. Gertrude Taft returned to Chinkiang, where she is, no doubt, to-day helping her beloved Dr. Hoag.

Miss Holman took up the burden of her share of the work when Miss Marks left Rajputana, but soon broke down under the extra strain and for months she has been in the hills, sick with fever.

We are indebted to our returned missionaries for invaluable help. Mrs. Jewell, of Peking, stirred our people's hearts and opened their purses with her story of the siege and her faith in China's redemption.

Miss Jacobson, of India, won a way for her cause wherever she spoke and inspired the Scandinavians not only to give, but to organize auxiliaries also.

Miss Collins has given cheerful and helpful service whenever she has been called upon, and her straightforward and intelligent story of her work in Africa was always received with intense interest by her hearers.

The coming of Rev. S. B. Haywood into our Branch from Mexico brings to us a gifted speaker whose greatest pleasure is found in an opportunity to speak for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. At our conference anniversary and at the Branch annual meeting this friend of ours spoke strong and beautiful words for us.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis from Singapore attended our Branch meeting and told us of the new openings in the Malaysia conference.

An overwhelming sorrow came to us the week of our annual meeting in the passing of our precious Mrs. E. C. Seymour. She was the pioneer of W. F. M. S. work in Pacific Branch, having helped to organize the first auxiliary, and was a prime mover in the organization of the Branch. This record of her is easily written, but it will be impossible to put into words a description of her gentle, sweet, saintly character, her self-sacrificing devotion to her friends and to the work of our Society, which has been the "one thing I do" of her life for more than thirty years. What shall we do without her? will be the ever-recurring question as we come to the difficult places where she has always been our helper and sympathetic friend. The memory of this dear woman will ever inspire us to give our very best for the blessed work in which we worked together so many years.

CHARLOTTE O'NEAL.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on hand October 1, 1900,	$ 1,656,51
Receipts from October 1st, 1900, to October, 1901,	13,461.00
Total	$ 15,117.51
Disbursed	$ 13,812.62
Balance on hand	$ 1,304.89

MRS. Z. L. PARMELEE,
Branch Treasurer.

TWENTIETH CENTURY

Offering for 1901,	$ 2,162.00
Previous offerings,	7,467.12
Total	$ 9,629.12

COLUMBIA RIVER BRANCH.

Includes Washington, Idaho, Montana and Oregon.

OFFICERS.

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MRS. JOEL VIGUS,
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North Pacific German Mission.
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In our record of the past twelve-month are some things to gladden and some to sadden. As the preceding year had been one of advance in every department of work, hope forecast like progress for the oncoming

days. That this was not fully realized is regretted. While our receipts were increased, we deplore a slight loss in membership and in subscribers to our *Missionary Friends.* It is difficult to account for failure here since more than usual effort has guarded these vital points. The loss may be due in part to the fact that some small auxiliaries in remote places have finally succumbed to the discouragements of the lonely worker and dropped out of sight. Against others must lie the greater self-condemnation of one of old, "As thy servant was busy here and there he was gone."

This decrease, however, does not extend to our groups of Little Light Bearers, whose enrollment has nearly trebled that of any former year.

The sudden and serious illness of our beloved President, midway in the year, occasioned anxious sorrow to her associates, who greatly missed the strength and cheer of her labor and counsel.

Two gifts have been received of larger proportions than have before come into possession of the Branch, one of $500 and the second a deed for 200 acres of land, not yet reduced to gold and so not counted in our treasury receipts.

Our Thank-Offering amounted to $1,357, an average of nearly $1 per adult member, and the total for the past three years, covering the period of the Twentieth Century offering, reaches the sum of $3,126. But in its distribution we labor under an embarrassment peculiar to this Branch. Our first Thank-Offering was taken the year following our organization, and, being in the day of very young and small things, was too slight to be designated for any specific object and was accordingly included with the regular appropriations. Hence, to meet these each year without a cut leaves but $2,000 free for Twentieth Century objects, which is the sum apportioned the Branch.

Our annual meeting was held for the second time in the stirring city of Seattle. It was felt that this gathering must be of the highest excellence to gain the attention of a people busy with plans for the betterment of their own church finances and the establishment of their beautiful new Hospital and Deaconess Home. We took stock of our treasures. Our President would bring the inspiration of gracious leadership, reinforced by personal knowledge of our mission fields. There was reason to hope for the presence of one or two missionaries and for the aid of a young lady distinguished for Christian work among young women. But disappointment succeeded disappointment until, finally, no single one of these on whom we had counted fulfilled the expectation.

Was the meeting a failure? Not so; thanks be to our God, who is able to supply in Himself more than is lacking. From the opening to the

sing session His Spirit was so manifestly present that all disappoint-
nts were as though they had not been, and one day was especially
rked by a message, which came through lips touched as it were with
from off the altar, as our Recording Secretary laid upon all hearts a
ight of responsibility for nearness to God as the determining factor in
future history of the Branch. It is a significant fact that this day was
ned on our Prayer Calendar as the date for prayer for the annual
eting of Columbia River Branch. "While they are yet speaking I
l hear."

Nevertheless, we cannot refrain from suggesting a form of assistance
ich might be rendered one another were we nearer, not looking each
us to his own things, but each of us also to the things of others. Of
eleven Associate Branches only Columbia River was under the neces-
of holding the annual meeting without the aid of a returned mission-
. Altogether there were upward of forty missionaries distributed
ong the ten, and not one for the weakest of all. Yet three of our own
resentatives passed through the city within a few weeks before and but
ew days after the meeting. What an impetus might be given the
rk if our missionaries would arrange their outgoing so as to grant a
le time at the right season to this younger Branch! The cause of each
he cause of all, while the opportunities to be lost or improved are
n more momentous there than in older sections. If the land be not
n taken for great missionary enterprises it will be pre-empted for
er causes, and then, when the years have flown we may awake to
stion why the little one has not become a thousand.

MRS. A. N. FISHER, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

ance on hand October 1, 1900	$ 1,130 85
ceipts from October 1, 1900, to October 1, 1901	5,787 02
Total	$ 6,917 87

DISBURSEMENTS.

lia	$ 2,010 00	
laysia	1,210 00	
ina	930 00	
an	395 00	
ly	300 00	
tgoing Missionary	27 00	
identals	315 32	$5,187 32
Balance on hand October 1, 1901		$ 1,730 55
On hand for Outgoing Missionary		182 75

MRS. M. E. WHITNEY, *Treasurer.*

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The remaining Conference Secretaries are also Treasurers.

BUREAU OF SUPPLIES.

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Again we stand on the threshold of another year and we ask ourselves, what has been done? As we look backward, we see so much to be thankful for, that we can say with the Psalmist, "O, Lord, open Thou my lips and my mouth shall show forth Thy praise."

We can report thirty new auxiliaries with 366 new members and 146 new subscribers to the "*Freund*;" five new subscribers to the English *Friend*, but 136 less to the *Children's Friend*. We are sorry to report a decrease of $192.52 in our receipts, the whole amount being $9,407.49.

The reason for this is the hard times caused in the West-German and St. Louis German Conferences by the drought of this summer. We know that some expected to do great things, as the harvest looked so promising; but it was not to be.

Miss Rothweiler has again done faithful work, itinerating in the Chicago, Northern, Eastern and Central Conferences. Many of the new auxiliaries are the result of her work. Miss Marks and Miss Jacobson visited a few auxiliaries in the Pacific Branch and Dr. Donahue was an efficient help in the Western District meetings.

The four District meetings were times of refreshing and everyone who visited them was encouraged and willing to work with renewed vigor for the cause.

The Northwest-German Conference has done especially well, and, though a small Conference, will soon rank as high as the larger Western and Northwestern Conferences. Our secretaries have been working very hard to bring about these good results.

The Superintendent has visited a few Conferences at their annual sessions and was heartily welcomed by the brethren. She heard the remark more than once, that they had altered their views and had now had a better understanding of the workings of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society than formerly. Some thought it would be a good plan for the Superintendent to have a meeting only for ministers, at their Conferences, so that they might ask questions in regard to the work, which could not be asked publicly. In this way they might more fully understand the relation of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in regard to the General Board and the church.

The contingent fund has been remembered by the women and if the reports had not come in so late, we would have a very small deficit. It is now $24.24. We hope to cancel this debt soon, which arises from some extra expenses which had to be met this year.

There will be a change in the ranks of our secretaries, Miss Julia Enderis, who has served the Chicago Conference faithfully a number of years having resigned, her sister-in-law, the former District Secretary of Chicago District, Mrs. Emma Morf-Enderis, will take her place.

If our progress is slow, we are thankful that we know there is a progress. Our prayer is, that God will give us an efficient German woman to take the Superintendency, as we feel that we cannot do justice to all the work that has been laid upon us, and some of it must suffer, for want of attention, unless it is put on other shoulders.

We enter the new year with great courage, hoping that it will prove to be the best we have had so far.

Respectfully submitted, PH. ACHARD.

STATISTICS OF GERMAN WORK FOR 1900-1901.

Conferences.	Organizations	Life Members.	Members.	Special Work.	Frauen Missions Freund.	Wom. M Friend.	Child. M. Friend.	Receipts, 1900-1901	Receipts, 1899-1900.	Increase.	Decrease.
Switzerland	43	.	1224	..	203		.	$ 557 96	$ 519 25	$38 71	$....
South Germany	35	..	600		346	.		243 59	283 57	...	39 98
North Germany	29	.	479	.		.		158 24	161 89	....	3 65
East German	22	1	645	7	368	13	112	1038 54	828 56	209 98	.....
Central German	19	3	536	13	241	18	..	1059 48	1260 89	...	201 41
St. Louis German	19		474	2	165	..	11	544 09	667 34	...	123 25
Chicago German	12	1	300	.	300	1	40	600 86	507 45	93 41	.....
North German	44	38	1002	10	578	20	86	1730 72	1943 31	...	212 59
Northwest German	32	5	593	12	451	5	42	1233 80	945 11	288 69	.....
West German	44	30	808	8	629	11	24	1674 21	1960 59	.....	286 38
California German	9	31	106	9	197	3	7	484 00	422 35	61 65	...
North Pacific German	4	..	93	.	45	..	..	82 00	99 70	.....	17 70
Miscellaneous	..	..	.	..	469	.		..	..	.....	...
Totals, 1900-1901	312	109	6860	61	3992	71	322	9407 49	9600 01	.....	...
Totals, 1899-1900	282	95	6494	55	3900	66	458	9600 01	...	.....	...
Increase	30	14	366	6	92	5	..	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease	.	..	..	..	....	..	136	192 52	.....	.....	.....

HOME STATISTICS.

Branches.	Auxiliaries.	Members.	Young Woman's Soc.	Members.	Children's Bands.	Members.	Total Organizations.	Total Members.	Little Light Bearers.	Members.	Conference Sec's.	District Secretaries.	Mite Boxes.
New England	460	11806	49	1097	100	1826	609	18461	100	3733	10	31	...
New York	954	30211	..	...	..	...		30321	110		14	46	4760
Philadelphia	457	14189	70	2019	89	2630	751	19263	17	163	10	...	...
Baltimore	123	4381	32	1292	34	1605	196	7800	...	..	4	9	...
Cincinnati	850	18650	195	2850	130	2300	1175	23800	...	...	9	42	12111
Northwestern	1256	31067	134	2946	129	4123	1559	39141	37	889	12	70	18623
Des Moines	588	14032	45	1238	35	933	668	16203	...	.	9	33	...
Minneapolis	200	4000	19	498	70	2280	289	7067	...	289	8	14	1035
Topeka	334	6803	19	490	18	500	371	7793	...	.	13	31	...
Pacific	115	2765	20	2285	28	915	163	5955	..		5	10	...
Columbia River	73	1500	14	375	8	159	95	2034	..	669	6	11	..
	5410	139404	597	15090	641	17271	5876	177549	264	5743	100	297	36529

The above statistics do not properly represent the Young People's work, as there are Bands, Mite Box Circles, Junior Leagues and Little Light Bearers contributing, while some Young Woman's Societies and Bands are reported together.

Appropriations for 1901-1902.

NEW ENGLAND BRANCH.

North India.

Naini Tal, Schools	$ 88 00
Assistant	120 00
Dwarahat, Assistant	110 00
Pithoragarh, salary of Miss Tresham	300 00
Scholarship	48 00
Conveyance	60 00
Repairs	40 00
Bhot, Medical work	88 00
Conference expenses	25 00
Itinerating and moving	50 00
Bareilly, Scholarships and orphans	280 00
Shahjahanpur, Miss Organ's salary	650 00
Moradabad, Miss Ruddick's salary	325 00
Assistant	240 00
Matron	120 00
School hospital and Medicine	100 00
Teachers and Scholarships	700 00
City schools	168 00
Inspectress	60 00
Bible-women	100 00
Conveyance	84 00
Mrs. Core's itinerating	50 00
Evangelistic work	100 00
Bijnour, Second assistant	180 00
Scholarships	100 00
Bible women	176 00
District Work	650 00
Sambahl District	944 00
Lucknow, Miss Nichols' salary	650 00
Miss Stearns' salary	650 00
Memorial scholarships	80 00
	$7,226 00

North West India.

Agra, Miss Harvey's salary	$ 450 00
Mathra, First assistant	240 00
Scholarships	195 00
Conveyance	33 00
Cawnpore, First assistant	220 00
Scholarships in High School	216 00
Scholarships in native school	150 00
Assistant for Mrs. Hoskins	100 00
Meerut, First assistant	240 00
Total	$1,844 00

Bombay.

Bombay, Scholarships	$ 280 00
Bassim, Scholarships and general work	720 00
Total	$ 1,000 00

South India.

Hyderabad, City girls' schools	$ 375 00
Scholarships	80 00
Miss Somerville's salary	280 00
Bangalore, General work	150 00
Madras, Miss D'Jordan's salary	280 00
Miss Young's salary	280 00
Scholarships	182 00
Conveyance	20 00
Meenambal's support	100 00
Conveyance for Miss D'Jordan	100 00
Total	$1,757 00

Malaysia.

Singapore, Miss Hemingway's salary	$ 425 00
Vernacular teacher	50 00
Miss Meyer's salary	212 00
Teluk Ayer, rent	212 00
Conveyance	40 00
Scholarships	140 00
Penang, General work	180 00
Total	$1,287 00

Bengal.

Darjeeling, School, Miss Knowles	$ 600 00

Korea.

Seoul, One-half home salary of Mrs. Scranton	$ 175 00
Miss Paine's salary	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Scholarships	480 00
Man of all work	60 00
Day school (West Gate)	35 00
Fuel	175 00
New Missionary, Miss Miller	800 00
New roof for Scranton Home	300 00
Total	$2,775 00

Japan.

Hakodate, Scholarships	$ 240 00
Literature teacher	240 00
Pupil assistant, Saminura Yoker	40 00
Hirosaki, Teacher 3rd and 4th grades	60 00
Assistant	60 00
Bible-woman	72 00
Yamagata, Bible-woman	72 00
Aoyama, Scholarships	320 00
Science teacher	284 00
Industrial scholarships	80 00
Yokohama, Ground rent	60 00
Insurance	300 00
Fuel and lights	75 00
Scholarships	280 00
Preparatory teacher	72 00
Graduate teacher	40 00
Yamabukicho, Day school	600 00
Kindergarten	150 00
Literary work	35 00
Addition to school building conditional	[illegible]
Nagoya, Teacher of Chinese and Japanese	110 00
Sewing teacher	90 00
Matron	70 00
Support of pupil	20 00

South Japan.

Scholarships	$ 280 00
Total	$ 3,960 00

North China.

Miss Young's salary	$ 750 00
Miss Glover's salary	750 00
Miss Croucher's salary	750 00
Miss Gilman's home salary	350 00
Dr. Terry's home salary	350 00
General work	1,800 00
Total	$4,750 00

West China.

Chung King, Scholarships	$ 80 00
Bible woman	30 00
Chentu, Miss Collier's salary	450 00
Scholarship	60 00
Rent	[illegible]
	$670 00
Building	500 00
	$1,170 00

Central China.

Nanking, Scholarships	$ 120 00
City day school teacher	30 00
Boarding school matron	20 00
	$170 00

Foochow.

Foochow, Boarding school	$ 240 00
Orphans	60 00
Ku Cheng, Woman's school	150 00
Bible woman	50 00
Day school	25 00
Repairs	20 00
Iong Bing, Miss Hartford's salary	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Repair	50 00
Hai Tang, Woman's school	300 00
Bible-women	96 00
Day schools and traveling	210 00
Total	$1,951 00

Hing Hua.

Ing Chung, Miss Todd's salary	$ 600 00
Miss Marriott's salary	400 00
Memorial home	1,000 00
School building	500 00
Bible women	75 00
	$ 2,575 00

Bulgaria.

Loftcha, Scholarships	$ 80 00
Matron and other service	220 00
Total	$ 300 00

Italy.

Via Garabaldi, Scholarships	$ 300 00
Addition	
Total	$ 300 00

Mexico.

Mexico City, Scholarships	$ 150 00
School supplies	200 00
Bible-woman	100 00
Miraflores, Miss Concha Perez	240 00
Miss Sara Valverde	210 00
Porter	70 00
Pachuca, One assistant	174 00
Miss Refugio Perez, Normal teacher	200 00
Scholarships	100 00
Water tax and repairs	36 00
Puebla, Miss J. Palacios	500 00
Scholarships	160 00
Guanajuato, Salary of Miss Moore	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Rent	80 00
Total	$3,010 00

South America.

Rosario, Assistant	$ 400 00
Scholarships	200 00
Repairs and taxes	200 00
School supplies	30 00
Furniture	50 00
Buenos Ayres, Rent	250 00
Teachers	200 00
Scholarship	80 00
Montevideo, Miss Kneeland's salary	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Scholarships	160 00

Taxes	150 00
Insurance	40 00
School supplies	100 00
Total	$2,553 00

SUMMARY.

North India	$6,626 00
North West India	1,844 00
Bombay	1,030 00
South India	1,757 00
Bengal	600 00
Malaysia	1,237 00
Korea	2,765 00
Japan	3,680 00
South Japan	280 00
North China	4,750 00
West China	1,170 00
Central China	170 00
Foochow	1,951 00
Hing Hua	2,575 00
Bulgaria	300 00
Italy	358 00
Mexico	3,010 00
South America	2,553 00
	$36,656 00

☞ NOTE.—The above amount includes $2800 which with $5597.29 for Darjeeling was collected on Twentieth Century Thank Offering, but not appropriated in 1900-01 and makes the Grand Total $42,853.29.

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North India.

Kumaon District.

Bible-woman	$ 25 00
Naini Tal, Bible-woman, Mrs. Newman	50 00
Dwarahat, Scholarships (5 at $16)	80 00
Pithoragarh, Miss Budden's salary	325 00
Miss Hayes' salary	240 00
Miss Oram, salary	200 00
Scholarships, 8 at 16	128 00
Woman's Home	320 00
Half scholarships	48 00
Expenses to conference	17 00
Conveyance	60 00
Bible-women	96 00
Mrs. Newman's Bible-women	100 00
Itinerating	40 00
Accountant	24 00
Urgent repairs	50 00
Total	1,803 00

Bareilly District.

Bareilly, Girl's Orphanage	
Miss Fanny English's salary	650 00
Scholarships	1,680 00
First assistant	240 00
Second assistant	240 00
Matron (half)	100 00
Agra Medical scholarships	80 00
Repairs	133 00

City and Village Work.

City schools	133 00
Mohulla and village work	165 00
Bible-women	160 00
Conveyances	120 00
Woman's school	80 00
Books and incidentals	8 00
Shahjahanpur, East, Bible-women and conveyance	100 00
Widows	34 00
Four city schools	50 00
Repairs	17 00
Faridpur, Bible-women and schools	64 00
Khera-Bajhera, Bible-women and schools	33 00
Katra, Bible-women and schools	48 00
Total for Bareilly District	4,135 00

Garhwal District.

Pauri, Matron	180 00
Scholarships	96 00
One medical scholarship	40 00
Teachers	25 00
Medicines	83 00
Munshi for two assistants	20 00
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman "Sarah"	50 00
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman "Eleanor Gill"	50 00
Total for Garhwal District	494 00

Moradabad District.

Moradabad, Scholarships	60 00
Evangelistic work, under Miss Means, Bible women	140 00
Conveyance	90 00
Bijnour, Scholarship	20 00
Budaon, Miss Kate O. Curt's Salary	650 00

Circuit Work.

Aonla, Bible-women and teachers	132 00
Krakrala, Bible-women and teachers	90 00
Binawar, Bible-women and teachers	80 00
Ujhani, Bible-women and teachers	72 00
Bilsi, Bible-women and teachers	106 00
Bisauli, Bible-women and teachers	128 00
Dataganj, Bible-women and teachers	72 00
Bhamora, Bible-women and teachers	64 00
Total for Moradabad	1,764 00

Pilibhit District.

Supported by Buffalo District, Genesee Conference, N. Y.	1,000 00

Hardoi District.

Hardoi, Scholarships	200 00
Teachers	72 00
Repairs and taxes	48 00
Matron	24 00
One Christian Chaukidar	16 00
Medicine	15 00
Bible-women	114 00
House rent	6 00
Hardoi, Mrs. Tupper's itinerating	20 00
Sandila, Bible-women and teachers	44 00
Safarpur, Bible-women and teachers	36 00
Sande, Bible-women and teachers	48 00
Unao, Bible-women and teachers	60 00
Pahani, Bible-women and teachers	48 00
Bilgram, Bible-women and teachers	75 00
Malawam, Bible-women and teachers	52 00
Shahabad, Bible-women and teachers	168 00
Total for Hardoi	1,044 00

Oudh District.

Lucknow, Zenana and village work, conveyances	150 00
Bible-women	116 00
Sitapur, Boarding school, Miss Grace Loper's salary	650 00
Scholarships	80 00
Matron	100 00
Total for Oudh	1,096 00

Gonda District.

Bahraich, Schools	44 00
Conveyance	53 00
Itinerating	20 00
Bible-women and teachers	100 00
Kaisorganj, Bible-women and teachers	28 00
Bhinga, Bible-women and teachers	68 00
Nanpara, Bible-women and teachers	40 00
Ellenpur and Mankapur, Bible-women and teachers	120 00
Total for Gonda	$466 00
Total for North India	$11,742 00

North West India.

Agra District.

Agra, City and District work.	
Assistants	$ 240 00
Bible-women (city)	80 00
Conveyance	87 00
Jinrickshaw	16 00
Wheel-tax	8 00
Books and repairs	17 00
Day schools	80 00
Itinerating for missionary	84 00
Bible-women (district)	208 00
Muttra, Scholarships	200 00
Village women (d)	80 00
Brindaban, Bible-readers	90 00

Cawnpore District.

Cawnpore, Girls' School—Scholarships	$ 500 00
(Mrs. Hoskins) District Bible-women	400 00
Itinerating for missionary	87 00
Assistant (partial)	108 00
District and Evangelistic work	20 00
Two High School Scholarships	72 00

Allahabad District.

Allahabad, Scholarships	$ 180 00
Orphanage assistant	200 00

Meerut District.

Meerut, District Evangelistic work	$ 83 00
Itinerating for missionary	50 00
Bible-women	200 00
Scholarship	90 00
Total for North West India	$3,003 00

Bombay Conference.

Bombay District.

Bombay, Evangelistic,	
Mrs. Fritchley	$ 280 00
Mrs. Bhimjibhoy	160 00
Shantibai David	140 00
Emily Bai Abraham	60 00
Conveyance	340 00
Kitiza Sultan	60 00
Educational scholarships	820 00
Taxes (half)	100 00
Miss Elizabeth Nichols, salary	650 00
Miss Christina Lawson, salary	650 00
Miss Christina Lawson, return expenses	350 00
Poona, Taylor High School:	
Miss Martette Elliott, salary	650 00
Taxes	50 00
Scholarships	200 00
Cost of transfer	100 00
One assistant	250 00

Central Provinces District.

Narsinggpur, Bible-women	96 00
Conveyance	100 00

Gujarat District.

Ahmedabad, Bible-women	80 00
Baroda,	200 00
Total for Bombay	$5,332 00

South India Conference.

Hyderabad District.

Secunderabad, Bible-women	40 00
Schools	80 00

Madras District.

Kolar, Scholarships	360 00
Widows	140 00
Two Bible-women	40 00
Munshi	19 00
Miss Bertha Sherwood	200 00
Madras, Mrs. Jones' salary	325 00
Scholarships (62)	1,240 00
Taxes	100 00
Matron	200 00
Three city and six village schools	468 00
Zenana work, Miss Marschner	220 00
Munshi	20 00
Bible-women	120 00
Conveyance for Miss Stephens, Mrs. Jones, two assistants and B. W.	220 00
Expenses of Home	50 00

Raichur District.

Raichur Conveyance	$ 100 00
Bible-women	90 00
Scholarships	160 00
Assistant, &c	202 00
Furniture	100 00
Total for South India	$4,534 00

Bengal Conference.

Calcutta District.

Calcutta, Bengali work.	
Bible-women	$ 186 00
Special Scholarships, Millie Quick, Louisa Layton and Moogde	75 00
Four Scholarships	100 00
Tumlook, Miss Jennie Moyer's salary, partial	500 00
New Home, half	500 00
Calcutta, Girls' Orphanage.	
Miss Craig, Scholarships	200 00
Deaconess Home, rent, etc., half	400 00
Miss E. Maxey's salary	325 00

Bholpur Circuit.

Bholpur, Bible-woman, (Rebecca)	$ 44 00
Teacher	40 00
Village School	12 00
Two Jhees	28 00
Repairs	12 00
Bullock and man for village work	48 00
Pakur Circuit, Orphans	180 00
Repairs	50 00

Tirhoot District.

Mazafarpore, Miss Soderstrom's salary	650 00
One Bible-woman	40 00
Conveyance	100 00
Rent	200 00
Total for Bengal	$3,690 00

Burma Conference.

Rangoon, Emma Kungh, scholarship	30 00

Malaysia Conference.

Kwala Lampor, Mrs. M. C. Meek, salary	$ 600 00

North China Conference.

Pekin, Mrs. C. M. Jewell, home salary	$ 350 00
Mrs. C. M. Jewell, return passage	350 00
Scholars and Bible-women	650 00
General work	950 00
Total for North China	$2,300 00

Central China.

Kiukiang, Miss Carrie J. Dreibelbies, salary	$ 600 00
Miss Carrie J. Dreibelbies, incidentals	150 00
Girls' School, Scholarships	150 00
Orphans	60 00
Teachers	80 00
Day school teachers	100 00
Bible-women	60 00
Itinerating	25 00
Repairs	100 00
Wuhu, Miss Emma Mitchell, salary	600 00
Miss Emma Mitchell, incidentals	150 00
Bible woman and itinerating	100 00
Teachers for day schools	75 00
Books for day schools	10 00
Rent for day schools	125 00
Chair Coolies	50 00
Gateman	20 00
Nanking, Scholarships	45 00
Chinkiang, Miss Lucy Hoag, M. D., salary	600 00
Miss Lucy Hoag, incidentals	150 00
Scholarships	150 00
Orphans	240 00
Medical work, drugs, etc	150 00
Katie (Montclair)	35 00
Assistants	90 00
Food for patients	20 00
Traveling expenses	20 00
Total for Central China	$3,905 00

Foochow Conference.

Foochow District.

Foochow, Woman's School, (part)	$ 150 00
Insurance	15 00
Bible-women (district)	120 00
Girls' Boarding School, Scholarships	160 00
Miss Plumb's salary	600 00
Miss Plumb's incidentals	150 00
Miss Wells' Salary and return expenses	1,000 00
Orphans	240 00

Minchiang District.

Minchiang, Medical work, Dr. May E. Carleton's return salary	$ 600 00
Dr. May E. Carleton's incidentals	150 00
Medical work	450 00

Ku Cheng District.

Ku Cheng, Miss Linam's salary	$ 600 00
Woman's School	150 00
Bible-women	200 00
Day schools and traveling	200 00
Insurance	40 00
Girls' Boarding School	60 00
Publishing Conference Minutes	25 00
Total for Foo Chow	$4,910 00

Hinghua Conference.

Hinghua, Two Bible-women	$ 50 00
Total for Hing Hua	$ 50 00

North Japan.

Hakodate District.

Hakodate, Caroline Wright, memorial school.	
Miss Minnie S. Hampton, salary	$ 600 00
Miss Minnie S. Hampton, Incidentals	150 00
School, ground rent	65 00
Insurance	90 00
Repairs	100 00
Scholarships	600 00
Chinese teacher, Mr. Kanemitsu Uno	288 00
Matron	87 00
Pupil Assistant, Yamaka Hatsu (1900)	40 00
Pupil Assistant, Matsui Kiyo (1901)	40 00
Pupil Assistant, Aoyagi Gayu (1901)	40 00
Industrial School Teacher, Mrs. Tamamoto	60 00
Industrial school, rent	25 00
Evangelistic work, Bible-woman's house rent	40 00
Evangelistic work, Bible-woman's salary, Ishizuka Yoshi	72 00
Evangelistic Work, Bible-woman's salary, Mrs. Yamaka	43 00
Travel, Tracts and city work	25 00
Total for Hakodate	$2,365 00

Hirosaki District.

First and second grade, Assistant, "Sato Nobu"	50 00
Hirosaki, Girls' School, teacher eighth grade	270 00
Girls' School, teacher, sewing	80 00
Girls' School, teacher, sewing, assistants, two	100 00
Girls' School, drawing teacher	30 00
Nurse Girls' School, teacher	30 00
Rent and supplies	25 00
Aomori, Bible-woman	30 00
Yoshida, Children's meetings, rent and travel	30 00
Monthly meetings, travel	30 00
Total for Hirosaki	$ 670 00
Total for North Japan	$3,035 00

Central Japan.

Sendai District.

Sendai, Bible-woman's salary, Mrs. Hiraboyashi	72 00

Tokyo District.

Aoyama, Insurance, Jo Gakuin	150 00
Scholarships	160 00
Harrison Memorial Industrial School Scholarships	80 00
Tokyo, Evangelistic work, salary, Mrs. Akiho	72 00
Mita, Bible-woman, Bible-women, travel	16 00
Tsukiji, Bible-women, salary	72 00
Yotsuya, Poor school	30 00

Yokohama District.

Yokokama, Higgins Memorial Training School scholarships	$ 80 00
Bible-woman	72 00
Literary work of Miss Baucus, Tokiwa, etc	150 00

Nagoya District.

Nagoya, Miss Anna P. Atkinson, salary	$ 600 00
Miss Anna P. Atkinson, incidentals	150 00
Teacher, Chinese and Japanese (half)	110 00
Teacher, Intermediate department	140 00

Teacher, assistant	50 00
Support of Ichiku Haru	40 00
Bible-woman, Second church	72 00
District travel, Miss Atkinson	70 00
Total for Central Japan	$2,186 00

South Japan Conference.

Fukuoka District.

Fukuoka, Scholarships	$ 80 00

Nagasaki District.

Nagasaki, Kwassui Jo Gakko, scholarships	$ 600 00
Teacher, Japanese literature,	180 00
Miss Jennie M. Gheer, salary	600 00
Miss Jennie M. Gheer, incidentals	150 00
Salary, rent and travel, Miss Oshima	110 00
Salary, rent and travel, Mrs. Kubo	65 00
Salary, rent and travel, Miss Kawakubo	100 00
Salary, rent and travel, Miss Imai	80 00
Salary, rent and travel, Miss Morioka	80 00
Salary, rent and travel, Miss Yoshizaki	80 00
Salary, rent and travel, Miss Kawano	80 00
Salary, Miss Kuribara and assistant at Loochow	100 00
Sunday schools, rent and supplies	35 00
District travel and city work	300 00
House rent and taxes	200 00
Miss L. Smith, half salary, home	350 00
Total for South Japan	$3,180 00

Korea.

Seoul, Ewa Haktang, Scholarships	$ 520 00
Native teacher, Grace Hawley Moore	60 00
Chong Dong, Mrs. Newman's B. W. Theresa	50 00
Bible-woman	50 00
Woman's Hospital, in-patients	125 00
Fuel	175 00
Repairs	100 00
Drugs and instruments	200 00
Dr. Cutler's home salary	350 00
Dr. Hall's salary, home	350 00
East Gate, Seoul, repairs on Scranton Home	25 00
Tai Sung, Seoul, Bible-woman, Sarah Kim	50 00
Bible-woman, Hannah Chang	50 00
Chairman	50 00
Day school, Muchinoi	50 00
Day school	50 00
Fuel	75 00
Fuel, Miss Hammond	75 00
Bible-woman, Alice Barr	50 00
Bible-woman, Mrs. Melissa Kim	50 00
Keisu	50 00
Mrs. Scranton's salary and incidentals (half)	175 00
Miss Hammond, salary and incidentals	750 00
Pyeng Yang, Dispensary assistants	100 00
Dispensary Bible-woman	50 00
Bible-woman Susan	50 00
Chinampo, Bible-woman	50 00
Blind class	60 00
Blind girl, Pongah	40 00
Miss Estey, itinerating	100 00
Repairs	50 00
Fuel	100 00
Children's ward	18 00
Miss Estey, salary and incidentals	750 00
Chemulpo, Bible-woman Helen	50 00
Bible-woman Helena	50 00
Day school	50 00
Freights and duty	50 00
Printing annual reports	25 00
Outfit, passage and salary for Miss Lula A. Miller	[illegible]
Total for Korea	$ 5,[illegible] 00

South America.

Buenos Ayres, House rent (half)	$ 600 00
Miss Eleanor Le Huray, salary	600 00
Miss Eleanor Le Huray, incidentals	150 00
Assistant teacher	400 00
Servants	275 00
Taxes and repairs	200 00
Physician	75 00
School supplies	200 00
Scholarships	668 00
Bible-woman	100 00
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman	50 00
Matron's assistant	50 00
Montevideo, Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman	50 00
On Montevideo debt	350 00
Peru, Miss Elsie Wood, home salary	350 00
Teacher	400 00
Total for South America	$4,587 00

Mexico.

Mexico City, Seven Scholarships at $50 gold	$ 350 00
Native professor	240 00
Insurance	45 00
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman	50 00
Pachuca, Miss Eleazar Perez	200 00
Miss Maria Olivares	174 00
Scholarships	150 00
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman	50 00
Puebla, Miss M. Tovar	150 00

Miss Manriquez	180 00
Matron	180 00
Scholarships	200 00
Repairs	80 00
Total for Mexico	$2,049 00

Italy.

Rome, Miss Ida M. Bowne, salary	$ 600 00
Miss Ida M. Bowne, incidentals	150 00
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman, Miss Tognotti	50 00
Isabel Clark Crêche	150 00
Scholarships	250 00
Sewing teachers	125 00
Matron & Asst. salaries	200 00
Insurance	100 00
Pisa, Bible-woman, Miss Biondi	135 00
Total for Italy	$1,760 00

Bulgaria.

Loftcha, Miss Getchova	$ 175 00
Scholarship	40 00
Total for Bulgaria	$ 215 00

Africa.

Old Umtali Rhodesia, Mrs. Helen E. Rasmussen, salary	$ 600 00
Total for Africa	$ 600 00

Summary.

India,	North India	11,742 00
	North West India	3,002 00
	Bombay	5,332 00
	South India	4,534 00
	Bengal Burma	3,770 00
	Malaysia	600 00
	Total for India	$28,980 00
China,	North China	2,300 00
	Central China	3,905 00
	Foochow	4,910 00
	Hing Hua	50 00
	Total for China	$11,165 00
Japan,	North Japan	3,035 00
	Central Japan	2,186 00
	South Japan	3,180 00
	Total for Japan	$8,401 00
Korea,	Seoul and Pyeng Yang	5,023 00
South America,		4,557 00
Mexico		$2,049 00
Italy,		1,760 00
Bulgaria		215 00
Africa		600 00
One Missionary, outfit & passage		1,000 00
On Poona Building		1,000 00
Total foreign appropriations—1902		$65,350 00

PHILADELPHIA BRANCH.

North India.

Lobha Ch., Bible woman	$ 25 00
Pithoragarh, Scholarships	90 00
Bareilly, Scholarships	200 00
Fourth assistant	200 00
Students wives and Kindergarten	138 00
Pauri, Salary Miss T. J. Kyle.	650 00
First assistant	220 00
Medical scholarship	40 00
Orphanage scholarships	288 00
Three village schools	96 00
Bijnour, Scholarships	80 00
Lucknow, City Schools and conveyance	138 00
Gonda, First assistant	220 00
Bible-women and conveyance	216 00
Balrampur, Bible-women	250 00
Total	$2,844 00

Northwest India.

Agra, Conveyance	$ 175 00
Repairs	34 00
Wheel and water tax	24 00
Servants and lights	100 00
Ground rent, $10; Bal. cash acct. $9; Bal. on new Building, $10	29 00
New doors and frames	42 00
Muttra Dist., Bible readers and itinerary	239 00
Cawnpore, Native Girls' School Scholarships	285 00
Girls' High School Scholarships	36 00
Bible-women	88 00
Allahabad, Scholarships	90 00
Bible-women	157 00
Assistant	140 00
Jinricksha and itinerating.	51 00
Total,	$ 1,490 00

Bombay Conference.

Bombay, Zenana Visitor, Miss Forbes	$ 220 00
Scholarships	60 00
Jubbulpur, Salary, Miss L. Heafer	650 00
Conveyance	80 00
Itinerating	34 00
C. Chindwara School	32 00
Baroda, Salary Miss Williams	650 00
Scholarships	1600 00
Teachers	400 00

Assistant	220 00
Matron	180 00
House rent	528 00
School rent	140 00
Salary, Miss Numan	240 00
Itinerating	100 00
Bible-women	60 00
Evangelistic School	300 00
Teacher	60 00
Taxes and current expenses	40 00
Summer School	75 00
Total,	$ 5,669 00

South India.

Hyderabad, Bible-women	$ 190 00
Scholarships	80 00
Kolar, Scholarships	80 00
Miss Eva Peters, partial support	55 00
Day schools	80 00
Total,	$ 485 00

Bengal Conference.

Tamlook, Miss Moyer, partial support,	$ 50 00
Muzaffarpur, Scholarships	120 00
Bible-women	80 00
Total	$ 250 00

Burma Conference.

Thandaung. Salary Miss C. Illingworth	$ 600 00
Total,	$ 600 00

Malaysia.

Singapore, Bible-woman, Mrs. Jones	$ 216 00
Bible-woman, Mrs. Pierce	180 00
Bible-woman, Mrs. Tien Piet	72 00
Bible-woman, Mrs. Dent, Tamil and English	72 00
Scholarships	180 00
Contingencies	60 00
Total,	$ 780 00

North China.

Tientsin, Salary Dr. R. R. Benn	$ 600 00
Incidentals	150 00
General work	1100 00
Total,	$ 1,850 00

Central China.

Kiu Kiang, Scholarships	$ 120 00
Bible-woman	60 00
Chin Kiang, Salary, Miss L. M. White	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Scholarships	60 00
Teachers	150 00
Itinerating	25 00
Total,	$1,165 00

Foochow.

Foochow, Conference Seminary	$ 100 00
Hospital Salary, Dr. Hu King Eng	450 00
Hospital expenses	400 00
Repairs	50 00
Medical Students	80 00
Watchman	25 00
Orphanage	120 00
Ku Cheng, Bible-women	180 00
Scholarships	60 00
Total,	$ 1,415 00

Japan.

Sapporo, Bible-woman, Mrs. Mitani	$ 30 00
Kabato, Bible-woman	72 00
Hakodate, Miss A. Dickerson, home salary	350 00
Miss F. Singer, salary	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Ground rent	27 00
Insurance	15 00
Repairs	50 00
Scholarships	300 00
Kindergarten teacher, O' Wada San	120 00
Kindergarten assistant	72 00
Hirosaki, Salary Miss E. J. Hewett	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Teacher, Chiba Nama, first and second grades	65 00
Travel	25 00
Northern Japan	2,696 00

Tokyo, salary, Miss M. A. Spencer	$600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Scholarships	480 00
Pupil assistant, Steige Murota	40 00
Day school, Asakusa	400 00
Repairs	50 00
Day school visitor	72 00
Travel	40 00
Bible-woman, Asakusa	72 00
Bible-woman, Misakaido	72 00
Bible-woman, Takegaoka	30 00
Travel of District Superintendent	100 00
Literature, The Tokiwa	40 00
Miss C. Spencer, home salary	350 00
New Missionary	900 00
Central Japan	$ 3,896 00

Nagasaki, Scholarships	$ 200 00
Fukuoka, Bible-woman, Mrs. Takanori	90 00
Southern Japan	290 00
Total for Japan	$ 6,283 00

Korea.

Seoul, Chong Dong Bible-woman Hannah	$ 80 00
Hospital attendants	150 00
Hospital Bible-woman Mary	50 00
Salary Dr. Esther Pak	200 00
Insurance	20 00
Tai Sung, Bible-woman, Mrs. Ni	50 00
Gateman	50 00
Scholarships in B. Wms. Training school	225 00
Salary, Miss Pierce	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Pyeng Yang, Bible-woman	50 00
Kyong Syo Day school	50 00
Total	$ 1,645 00

Italy.

Rome, Crèche	$ 100 00
Scholarships	200 00
Total	$ 300 00

Bulgaria.

Loftcha, Salary, Mrs. Gatea Lookanova	$ 175 00
Bible-woman	100 00
Botanza, Teacher	80 00
Total	$ 355 00

Mexico.

Mexico City, Salary, Miss M. D Loyd	$ 600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Teacher, Miss Luz Aguilar	240 00
Matron	210 00
New Missionary and passage	600 00
Scholarships	250 00
Treasurer's expenses	40 00
San Vincente, Teacher, Rent and School supplies	200 00
Puebla, Salary, Miss A. R. Limberger	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Salary, Miss C. M. Purdy	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Salary Miss Duarte, teacher	240 00
Scholarships	300 00
Bible-woman	105 00
Tetela, Salary Teacher, Miss Natalia Magos	150 00
Guanajuato, Salary, Miss E. M. Dunmore	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Rent	200 00
Water tax and repairs	80 00
First assistant	200 00
Scholarships	100 00
Total	$ 5,251 00

South America.

Buenos Ayres, Teacher	$ 200 00
Scholarship	88 00
Total	$ 288 00

Philippine Islands.

Manila, Partial Salary, special gift	$ 200 00
Total	200 00
Conditional	466 00

Summary.

India	$11,236 00
Malaysia	780 00
China	4,420 00
Japan	6,382 00
Korea	1,645 00
Italy	300 00
Bulgaria	355 00
Mexico	5,821 00
South America	288 00
Philippines	200 00
Conditional	466 00
	$32,000 00

BALTIMORE BRANCH.

North India.

Naini Tal, Assistant's salary	$ 120 00
Teachers	25 00
Conveyance	70 00
Dwarahat, Scholarships	48 00
Itinerating	88 00
Bible-women	96 00
Pithoragarh, Bible-women	80 00
Moradabad, Scholarships	185 00
Sambhal Dist., Bible-women	44 00
Itinerating	12 00
Bareilly, Third assistant	220 00
Orphans	140 00
Lucknow, Isabel Hart, scholarships	26 00
Gonda, Scholarships	75 00
Conveyance	88 00
Matron	67 00
Medicines	80 00
District work	100 00
Total	$1,354 00

North West India.

Muttra, Bible-women	$ 80 00
Conveyance	88 00
Aligarh, Evangelistic work	250 00
Miss Gallimore's home salary	250 00
Total	$ 713 00

Bombay Conference.

Bombay, Scholarships	$ 120 00
R. E. Robinson's salary	500 00
Debt on building	120 00
Poona, Frederick Rice Memorial School	100 00
Medical work	120 00
Total	$ 960 00

South India.

Raipur, House rent	$ 180 00
First Assistant	200 00
Matron	120 00
Conveyance	80 00
Munshi	40 00
Bible-readers and teachers	100 00
Orphanage	200 00
Property, Stevens Memorial	1,376 00
Mrs. Gilder's itinerating	50 00
Sironcha, conveyance	50 00
Orphanage and boarding school	80 00
Bible-women and teachers	80 00
Hyderabad, Elizabeth Snyder school	80 00
Miss Ross	200 00
Matron	90 00
Scholarships	80 00
Bangalore, Work	180 00
Kolar, Scholarships	220 00
Miss Eva Peters	40 00
Village schools	80 00
Raichur, Rent	300 00
Property	300 00
Madras, Miss Stephens, salary	325 00
Taxes on land and buildings	100 00
Orphans and scholarships	460 00
Guilford school and Bible-woman	65 00
Elizabeth	55 00
Hire of cart for itinerating	50 00
Sooboonagam	125 00
Perambulator for Sooboonagam	55 00
Gateway conditional	100 00
Total	$ 5,001 00

North China.

Peking, Scholarships	$ 120 00
Tientsin, Hospital matron	40 00
Dispensary	40 00
Total	$ 200 00

Central China.

Chin Kiang, Orphans	$ 30 00
Waterman	50 00
Ku Kiang, Scholarships	90 00
Gateman	25 00
Total	$ 195 00

Foochow.

Foochow, Girls' b'rding school	$ 240 00
Liang-au Hospital Bible-woman	24 00
Siang-au Hospital medical students	40 00
City Hospital expenses	100 00
City Hospital Bible-woman	24 00
City Hospital medical students	40 00
Mrs. Tippet's salary	450 00
Mary E. Crook Memorial Children's Home	240 00
Publishing Conference minutes	10 00
Official expenses	20 00
Home for Industrial Work	200 00
Ming Chiang, Woman's school	175 00
Dr. Carleton's medical work	50 00
Ku Cheng, Day schools and travelling	100 00
Ngu Cheng, Dr. Masters' medical work	160 00
Total	$ 1,893 00

Hing Hua.

Hing Hua, Hamilton Scholarships	$ 20 00
Juliet Turner woman's school	300 00
Isabel Hart Scholarships	100 00
Total	$ 785 00

Korea.

Seoul, Scholarships	$ 280 00
Matron	50 00
School	85 00
In-patients	20 00
Anna Cassidy	50 00
Miss E. A. Lewis' home salary	350 00
Total	$ 785 00

North Japan.

Hakodate, Scholarships	$ 160 00
Hirosaki, Bible-woman	72 00
Total	$ 232 00

South Japan.

Nagasaki, Scholarships	$ 300 00
Primary teacher	60 00
Total	$ 360 00

Central Japan.

Tokyo, Scholarships	$ 360 00
Industrial school	40 00
Teacher penmanship	50 00
Teacher embroidery	65 00

Yokohama, Fuel and lights	50 00
Miss A. G. Lewis' salary	600 00
Miss A. G. Lewis' incidentals	150 00
Miss A. G. Lewis' travel	50 00
Poor school	120 00
Day school visitor	50 00
Bible-woman	75 00
Property	600 00
Nagoya, Miss B. R. Bender's salary	600 00
Miss B. R. Bender's incidentals	150 00
Insurance	60 00
Assistant	50 00
Total,	$ 2,847 00

Italy.

Rome, Mrs. Mando	$ 95 00
Crèche	85 00
Total,	$ 180 00

Mexico.

Mexico City, Scholarship	$ 100 00

SUMMARY.

India	$ 8,028 00
Japan	3,329 00
China	2,628 00
Korea	785 00
Italy	180 00
Mexico	100 00
Conditional	446 00
Total	$ 15,000 00

CINCINNATI BRANCH.

North India Conference.

Moradabad, Miss Alice Means	$ 325 00
Scholarships	180 00
Safe	50 00
Evangelistic Work, Miss Mary Means	325 00
Bible-women and conveyance	220 00
Bareilly, Orphanage	350 00
Bijnour, Scholarships	160 00
Medicines	20 00
Lucknow, Persian teacher	100 00
1st assistant	260 00
2nd assistant	220 00
Scholarships	260 00
Repairs	120 00
Home for Homeless Women, Miss Hardie	375 00
Assistant	200 00
Matron and assistant	225 00
Sitapur, 1st assistant	220 00
Scholarships	300 00
Conveyance	100 00
Teacher	100 00
Taxes and repairs	200 00
Circuit work	400 00
Gondah, Miss Fannie Scott	$ 325 00
Scholarships	400 00
Assistant	180 00
Repairs, rent and medicines	200 00
Evangelistic Work, Miss H. Hoge	325 00
Conveyance and itinerating	265 00
Circuit Work, Barabanki, Lakimpore, Sidhauli, Mallalabad and Fakaitnager	600 00
Shahjahanpore, Scholarships	750 00
Assistant and matron	640 00
Repairs, Kindergarten and Medicines	185 00
Bible-women and schools	325 00
Total for North India	$ 9275 00

Bombay Conference.

Poona, Schools and Bible-women	$ 850 00
Scholarships	200 00
Baroda, Orphans	200 00
Total for Bombay Conf.	$ 1250 00

North West India.

Brindiban, Hospital assistant	$ 140 00
Medicines	280 00
Interest	160 00
Repairs and servants	40 00
Dr. Emma Scott Home salary	350 00
Cawnpore, Assistant (2nd	200 00
Mutra, Scholarships	200 00
Assistant	140 00
Conference Evangelistic work	620 00
Contingent fund	50 00
Total for Conference.	$ 2160 00

South India Conference.

Sironcha, Repairs and land tax	$ 200 00
Raipur, Miss Thomas	200 00
Debt on dormitory	100 00
Bangalore, Bible-women and helpers	250 00
Vikarabad, Schools and Bible-women	300 00
Kolar, Scholarships	300 00
Raichur, Miss Carver	650 00
Scholarships	50 00
Furniture	50 00
Total,	$ 2100 00

Bengal Conference.

Miss Wisner's salary	$ 650 00
Miss Jacobson	200 00
Dispensary and servants	150 00
Bible-women	150 00
Orphans	280 00
Tamlook, Miss Blair	325 00
Bible-women	90 00

Teachers and rent	185 00
Mission Home (conditional)	500 00
Bengali work under Mrs. Lee	900 00
Interest due Rangoon	200 00
Total for Bengal	$ 3620 00

Malaysia.

Scholarships	$ 160 00
Bible-woman	70 00
Repairs	100 00
Penang, Support of work	225 00
Miss Anderson	600 00
Mrs. Curtis, home-coming	100 00
Total for Malaysia	$ 1235 00
Manila, Dr. Norton's salary	$ 600 00
Support of work	800 00
Total for Manila	$ 1400 00

North China.

Home salary of Miss Shockley	$ 350 00
Conditional	1200 00
Total	$ 1500 00

Foochow.

Miss Jewell's salary and incidentals	$ 750 00
Women's school	150 00
Bible-women	120 00
Repairs	60 00
Boarding School, Miss Bonsfield home salary	350 00
Scholarships	400 00
Repairs	100 00
Medical students	80 00
Total	$ 2010 00

Hing Hua Conference.

Hamilton School	$ 80 00
Leper day school	75 00
Day schools and traveling	175 00
Bible-women	400 00
Sieng Iu, Women's school	400 00
Day schools and traveling expenses	420 00
Bible-women and traveling expenses	400 00
Miss Lebeus	450 00
Total for China	$ 6270 00

Korea.

Scholarships	480 00
Books and stationery	80 00
Gateman	50 00
Miss Frey, salary and incidentals	750 00
Chong Dong Bible-woman	50 00
Drugs and instruments	50 00
East Gate, fuel and gateman	125 00
Assistants	75 00
Repairs	75 00
Drugs and instruments	175 00
Bible-woman	50 00
Insurance	25 00
Dr. Ernsberger	250 00
Tai Sung, Dr. Harris's salary and incidentals	750 00
Drugs and instruments	100 00
Insurance	60 00
Chemulpo, Miss Mary Hillman	750 00
Itinerating	50 00
Bible-woman	50 00
Freight and duty	50 00
Total	$ 4,510 00

North Japan.

Sapporo, Miss Bing's home salary	$ 350 00
Rent and repairs	170 00
Bible woman	70 00
Travel of Superintendent	100 00
Hakodate, Scholarships	160 00
Shinano, District	250 00
Total for North Japan	$ 1160 00

Central Japan.

Miss Wilson, salary and incidentals	$ 750 00
Scholarships	200 00
Etiquette and sewing	182 00
Drawing teachers	60 00
Matron	48 00
S. S. books and papers	30 00
Mrs. Chappelle's Mothers' meeting	80 00
Industrial Schools, drawing and penmanship	70 00
Nagoya interest	250 00
Total	$ 1600 00

Southern Japan.

Nagasaki, Miss Russell	$ 750 00
Miss Young	750 00
Miss Kedwell	750 00
Science teacher	250 00
Translation teacher	100 00
Scholarships	500 00
Ground rent	175 00
Insurance	175 00
Art department	250 00
Dispensary	100 00
Industrial department	150 00
Repairs	150 00
Water rent	50 00
Insurance	175 00
Music	100 00
Kindergarten	100 00
Total for Nagasaki	$ 4465 00

Fukuoka.

Miss Seed's salary and incidentals	$ 750 00
Scholarships	240 00
Science teacher	200 00
Chinese teacher	150 00
Mathematics	100 00
Intermediate	100 00
Translation	100 00
Sewing	70 00
Bible-woman's work	300 00
	$2010 00

Mexico.

Mexico City, Miss Harriet L. Ayres	$ 750 00
Scholarships	250 00
Miss M. Carreon	240 00
Miss A. Carrasco	240 00
Porter	210 00
Repairs and incidentals	170 00
Street, water and property taxes	140 00
Puebla, Miss A. Palacios and rent	500 00
Music teacher	120 00
Porter	140 00
Taxes	240 00
School supplies	180 00
Repairs	100 00
Orizaba, Miss Ernestina Sanches	310 00
School supplies	100 00
Total for Mexico	$ 3,590 00
Total for Italy	300 00
Total for Cincinnati Branch	44,880 00

NORTHWESTERN BRANCH.

North India.

Dwarahat, Assistant	$ 110 00
Scholarships	206 00
Teachers	48 00
Doctor, medicines and repairs	114 00
Pithoragarh, Miss Clegg	200 00
Medical assistant	120 00
Medicines	100 00
Scholarships	288 00
Teachers	100 00
Bible-woman	28 00
Urgent repairs	50 00
Pauri, Assistant	200 00
Scholarships	192 00
Bible-women	350 00
Medical scholarship	40 00
Itinerating and medicines	125 00
Bareilly, Scholarships	350 00
Miss Wilson, home salary	175 00
Miss Wilson's traveling expenses	350 00
Dr. Lewis	650 00
Medical work	500 00
Medical class	120 00
Bible-woman	28 00
Moradabad, Assistant	250 00
Scholarships	200 00
Training class	80 00
District work	540 00
Circuit and village work	100 00
Budaon, Scholarships	150 00
Second assistant	180 00
Matron	120 00
Schools and village work	350 00
Bijnour, First assistant	240 00
Scholarships	150 00
Matron, munshi and repairs	80 00
Lucknow, Miss Newton	650 00
Miss Brouse	650 00
Miss Singh	400 00
Scholarships	75 00
Third assistant	200 00
Blind women	75 00
Evangelistic band	35 00
Gonda, Assistant	240 00
Scholarship	20 00
Total	$ 9,171 00

Northwest India.

Ajmere, Miss Wright	$ 325 00
Miss Boyd	240 00
Muttra, Miss Abbott	325 00
Boarding school assistant	200 00
Zenana assistant	220 00
English scholarships	150 00
Hindustani scholarships	340 00
Repairs	60 00
Munshi	60 00
Land, rent	34 00
Brindaban, Miss Burman	325 00
Allahabad, Scholarships	325 00
Cawnpore, Mrs. Worthington	325 00
Scholarships	450 00
Village and mohulla work	160 00
Conveyance	65 00
Christian day-schools	72 00
Land-rent	34 00
Aligarh, Mrs. Matthews	325 00
Louisa Soule's boarding school	500 00
Scholarships	3,200 00
Industrial school scholarships	800 00
Meerut, Bible readers and itinerating	560 00
New missionary (conditional)	1000 00
Total	$10,025 00

South India.

Kolar, Miss Fisher	$ 325 00
Miss Wood	325 00
Traveling expenses	325 00
Furniture	100 00
House expenses	75 00
Miss Peters	280 00
Assistant	180 00
Matron	200 00
Scholarships	520 00
Interest	250 00
Munshi	20 00

Madras, Miss Doyle	250 00
Miss Z. Doyle	250 00
Scholarships	300 00
Bible-women	80 00
Conveyance	100 00
Total,	$ 3,580 00

Bombay.

Bombay, Miss Chovey	$ 140 00
Bible-women	115 00
Conveyance	100 00
Matron	300 00
Native teachers	150 00
Nursery teacher	50 00
Gate-keeper	55 00
Scholarships	1,500 00
Taxes	100 00
Building fund	300 00
Miss Porter's home salary	350 00
Telagaon, Support of work	500 00
Poona, Matron	100 00
Assistant	250 00
Taxes	50 00
Cost of transfer	100 00
Building fund	1 000 00
Jubbalpore, Miss Bennett	325 00
Outfit, and travelling expenses	400 00
Furniture	100 00
Total,	$ 5,885 00

Bengal.

Asansol, Assistant, Miss Vernaux	$ 120 00
Scholarships	60 00
Bible-women and medicines	60 00
Miss Forster	600 00
Calcutta, Miss Craig	325 00
Traveling expenses	300 00
Orphanage	300 00
Rent and incidentals	400 00
Darjeeling, Miss McKinley	600 00
Interest on property	300 00
Mazefferpur, Orphans	200 00
Rent	80 00
Total,	$ 3,405 00

Burmah.

Rangoon, Miss Stahl (conditional)	$ 600 00
Traveling expenses	300 00
Total,	$ 900 00

Malayata.

Singapore, Matron	$ 144 00
Scholarships	100 00
Contingencies	100 00
Interest	158 00
Furniture	50 00
Mrs. Curtis, traveling expenses	100 00
Total	$ 652 00

China.

Peking, Dr. Gloss	$ 300 00
Dr. Martin	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Miss Martin	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
For work in North China	1,500 00
Total	$ 3,300 00

Central China.

Kiu Kiang, Miss Howe	$ 600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Miss Merrill	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Dr. Kahn	350 00
Scholarship and teachers	300 00
Woman's training school	325 00
Repairs	150 00
Medical work	500 00
Nanking, Miss Shaw	600 00
Miss Peters	600 00
Mrs. Davis	600 00
Miss Rowley	600 00
Scholarships and teachers	325 00
Matron and cook	50 00
Training school	225 00
Bible-woman	30 00
Repairs	100 00
Books	35 00
Well	40 00
Chin Kiang, Miss Robinson	600 00
Scholarships	60 00
Bible-woman	35 00
Incidentals	150 00
Total	$7,145 00

West China.

Chung King, Miss Decker	$ 450 00
Drug, medicines and supplies	500 00
Scholarships	300 00
Bible-women and itinerating	100 00
Repairs and insurance of Deaconess Home	80 00
Lui Ling, Biblewoman	30 00
Day School	30 00
Chentu, Bible-woman	30 00
Total	$1,430 00

Foochow.

Foochow, Day schools	$ 350 00
Scholarships	200 00
Orphans	240 00
Insurance	65 00
Dr. Lyon	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Hospital expenses	900 00
Repairs	150 00
Ming Chiang, Miss Peters	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Travelling expenses	300 00
Miss Longstreet	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Bible-women	250 00

Training School	100 00
Day-schools and traveling	300 00
Ku Cheng, Romanized station class	300 00
Scholarships	200 00
Iong Bing, Boarding-school	450 00
Bible-women	120 00
Ngu Cheng, Dr. Masters	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Hospital expenses	600 00
Repairs, furniture and insurance	175 00
Miscellaneous, Boatman	30 00
Publishing Conference minutes	15 00
Total	$ 7,795 00

Hing Hua.

Hing Hua, Miss Wilson, home salary	$ 175 00
Traveling expenses	200 00
Miss Westcott	450 00
Outfit, and traveling expenses	450 00
Furniture	100 00
Scholarships	90 00
Bible-women	125 00
Sieng Iu, Scholarship	20 00
ing Chung, Boarding, day schools and Bible-women	600 00
Total	$2,310 00

Korea.

Seoul, Scholarships	$ 300 00
Fuel, insurance and Repairs	525 00
Pyeng Yang, Day-school	50 00
Total	$ 855 00

Japan.

Central Japan.

Hakodate, Scholarships	$ 240 00
Preparatory teacher	115 00
Mathematics teacher	240 00
Science teacher	115 00
Hirosaki, Kindergarten teacher	100 00
Poor school (Odate)	40 00
Sendai, Miss Heaton	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
District-work	60 00
Tokyo, Miss Alling, home salary	150 00
Traveling expenses	250 00
Repairs and watchman	200 00
Scholarships	650 00
Chinese teacher	270 00
Literature teacher	100 00
Translation teacher	190 00
Music teacher	215 00
Primary teacher	115 00
Kindergarten teacher	145 00
Pupil teacher, Nobu Ishida	40 00
Ground rent (conditional)	182 00
Fukigawa, Day-school	400 00
Yokohama, Fuel, lights and repairs	225 00
Books and tracts and travel	115 00
Scholarships	280 00
Bible-teacher	180 00
Music teacher	80 00
Pupil teacher	40 00
Day-schools	675 00
Mrs. Van Petten	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Miss Baucus' work	75 00
Nagoya, Mathematics and science teacher	180 00
Music teacher	75 00
Mothers' meetings	40 00
Bible-woman, First Ch	72 00
City and district work	74 00
Repairs	60 00
Total	$7,458 00

South Japan.

Fukuoka, Scholarships	$ 240 00
Bible-woman, Mrs. Tsuda	70 00
Insurance	120 00
New Missionary	900 00
Yanagawa, Bible-woman, Mrs. Hara	80 00
Nagasaki, Miss Melton	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Mathematics teacher	350 00
Scholarships	200 00
Bible-school assistant	100 00
Primary teacher	50 00
City work	150 00
Total	$ 3,010 00

Mexico.

Mexico City, Scholarships	$ 300 00
Kindergarten, teacher and supplies	500 00
Doctor and medicines	75 00
Miraflores, Sewing and drawing teacher	100 00
Rent, furniture and supplies	120 00
Pachuca, Miss Bohannon	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Normal teacher, Miss Peres	240 00
Music teacher	165 00
Kindergarten teacher	175 00
Scholarships	100 00
Dormitory and School supplies	200 00
Light and repairs	75 00
Porter	115 00
Puebla, Normal teacher	250 00
Kindergarten "	200 00
Scholarships	200 00
Dormitory supplies	25 00
Apizaco, School and supplies	400 00
Panotla, School and supplies	200 00
Tetela, School and supplies	375 00
Guanajuato, Rent	300 00
Kindergarten and sewing teacher	100 00
Primary teacher	180 00

Scholarships	180 00
School supplies	95 00
Porter	90 00
Total	$5,370 00

South America.

Montevideo, Miss Hewitt	$ 600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Scholarships	300 00
Taxes and repairs	250 00
Porter	100 00
Assistants	850 00
Interest	367 00
Buenos Ayres, Scholarships	168 00
Rent	400 00
Rosario, Scholarships	500 00
Teachers	900 00
Total	$4,488 00

Italy.

Rome, Miss Vickery	$ 600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Miss Odgers	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Miss De Lord	500 00
Scholarships in Via Garibaldi	200 00
Teachers " " "	550 00
Taxes, insurance and repairs	250 00
Property	100 00
Crandon Hall property	2,000 00
Scholarships	100 00
Contingent	200 00
Total	$5,400 00

Bulgaria.

Loftcha, Miss Blackburn	$ 600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Miss Davis	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Miss Raichera	300 00
Miss Dobreva	175 00
Miss Gradinarova	300 00
Scholarships	240 00
Traveling expenses	50 00
Incidentals and repairs	150 00
Books and apparatus	50 00
Total	$2,805 00

Switzerland.

Herisau, Bible-woman and work	$ 50 00
Lausanne, Bible-woman and work	150 00
Zurich, Bible-woman and work	50 00
Total	$ 250 00

South Germany.

Pirmasens, Bible-woman and work	$ 50 00
Total	$ 50 00

North Germany.

Berlin, Bible-woman and work	$ 120 00
Schneeberg	50 00
Chemnitz	50 00
Total	$ 220 00

Africa.

Quessua, Scholarships	$ 250 00
Contingent	100 00
Total	$ 350 00

The Philippines Islands.

Manila, Mrs. Moots	$ 400 00
Total	$ 400 00

Summary.

India	$33,588 00
Malaysia	652 00
China	21,970 00
Korea	856 00
Japan	10,468 00
Mexico	5,370 00
South America	4,488 00
Italy	5,400 00
Bulgaria	2,805 00
Switzerland	250 00
Germany	300 00
Africa	350 00
Philippines	400 00
Contingent	8,241 00
Grand total	$90,000 00

DES MOINES BRANCH.

North India.

Pithora, Scholarships	$ 360 00
Half scholarships	24 00
Pauri, Scholars	365 00
Repairs	67 00
Moradabad, Scholarships	100 00
Miss Frederich	240 00
Bijnour, Scholars	30 00
Bareilly, Scholarships	200 00
Budaon, Repairs and medicines	80 00
Scholarships	300 00
First assistant	100 00
Teachers	120 00
Shahjahanpur, Scholars	300 00
Lucknow, Miss Sircar	300 00
Mrs. Thoburn's Munshi	30 00
Total for North India	$ 2,457 00

North West India.

Ajmere, Miss A. E. Lawson	$ 650 00
Muttra, Miss Gregg	325 00
Vernacular teacher	200 00
Boarding school scholars	75 00
Village women	30 00

Kaupanj, Bible-readers	727 00
Itinerating	78 00
Aligarh, Miss Bobenhouse	425 00
Bible-women	300 00
Cawnpore, Miss Lauck	650 00
Scholars	106 00
Meerut, Second assistant	100 00
Scholarships	300 00
Total for N. W. India	$4,333 00

Bombay.

Bombay, Miss Miller	$ 650 00
Jubbulpur, Miss Hyde	650 00
Educational	5,100 00
Bible-women	160 00
Khandwa, Miss Bilicker	650 00
Educational	1,540 00
Bible-women	90 00
Summer school	30 00
Itinerating	60 00
Assistant	100 00
Burhampur, Bible-women	68 00
Narsinghpur, Bible-women	240 00
Total for Bombay	$9,488 00

South India.

Hyderabad, Miss Wood	$ 600 00
Conveyance	225 00
Scholarships	600 00
New property	4,000 00
Miss Lenahan	200 00
Miss Wells	550 00
Conveyance	50 00
Miss Partridge	400 00
Miss Birt	180 00
Munshi	24 00
Matron	90 00
Miss Evans' home salary	350 00
Kolar, Miss Maskell	325 00
Conveyance	160 00
Scholarships	300 00
House expenses	70 00
Bible-women	60 00
Eva Peters	55 00
Total, for South India	$8,269 00

Bengal.

Pakur, Scholarships	$ 260 00
Calcutta, Miss Henkle	350 00
Total for Bengal	$ 610 00

Burma.

Thandaung, Miss Rigby	$ 600 00
Scholarships	280 00
Miss Perkins' home salary	350 00
Rangoon, Grace Stockwell	500 00
Total for Burma	$1,730 00
Total for India	$20,727 00

North China.

Peking, Miss Wilson	$ 600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Current expenses	500 00

Central China.

Kiu Kiang, Miss Ogborn	$ 600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Dr. Mary Stone	350 00
Scholars and orphans	185 00
Medical	400 00
Total	$ 1,685 00

West China.

Chung King, Scholarships	$ 200 00
Itinerating	60 00
Miss Galloway	300 00
Incidentals	150 00
Passage	350 00
Dr. Edmonds	300 00
Incidentals	150 00
Outfit and passage	400 00
Bed in hospital	15 00
Miss Manning	300 00
Incidentals	150 00
Total for West China	$ 2,875 00

Foochow.

Foochow, Miss Wilkinson	$ 600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Scholarships	400 00
Bible-women	60 00
Orphans	60 00
Total	$ 1,270 00

Ngu Cheng.

Ngu Cheng, Miss Trimble, home salary	$ 350 00
Miss Allen	600 00
Woman's school	400 00
Bible-women	240 00
Romanized class	180 00
Day schools and travel	420 00
Girls' boarding school	600 00
Repairs	100 00
Insurance	35 00
Total	$ 3,005 00
Total for China	$ 9,675 00

Japan.

Hiroaki, Miss Southard	$ 600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Miss Griffiths	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Repair	25 00
Mr Kudo	225 00
Assistant 5th and 6th grades	95 00

Kuroishi, Bible-woman	72 00
District Superintendent, travel	75 00
Hakodati, Scholars	120 00
Teachers	115 00
Owadi Hida San	115 00
Takenaka San	120 00
Sendai, Miss Phelps	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Interest and taxes	80 00
Insurance	40 00
Scholarships	250 00
Teachers and supplies	165 00
Sakuyama, Bible-woman	80 00
Yonezawa, Bible-woman	72 00
Rent	50 00
Tokyo, Aoyama, Miss Daniel	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Scholarships	240 00
Mathematics	284 00
Yokohama, *Tokiwa*	50 00
Bible students	180 00
Total for Japan	$ 5,348 00

Mexico.

Mexico City, Scholarships	$ 200 00
Lights	140 00
Ayapango, Miss Estrada	174 00
Assistant teacher	70 00
School supplies	45 00
Rent	85 00
Bible-woman, Mrs. Sotres	70 00
Tezontepec, Teacher	210 00
Supplies and rent	300 00
Puebla, Scholars	300 00
Miss Bumgardner	750 00
Orizaba, Rent	175 00
Total Mexico	$ 2,159 00

Italy.

Rome, Orphanage	$ 200 00
Total	$ 200 00

Africa.

Quessua, *Angola*, Miss Mekkelson	200 00
Scholars	125 00
Total	$ 325 00

SUMMARY.

India	$20,727 00
China	9,575 00
Japan	5,348 00
Mexico	2,159 00
Italy	200 00
Africa	325 00
Total	$44,429 00
Thank offering	5,571 00
Grand Total	$50,000 00

MINNEAPOLIS BRANCH.

North India.

Pithoragarh, Scholarships	$ 288 00
Teacher	36 00
Matron	24 00
Pauri, Scholarships	112 00
Bareilly, Scholarships	120 00
Matron	100 00
Bible-woman	40 00
Budaon, Scholarships	150 00
Gonda, Scholarships	100 00
Teacher	32 00
Total for North India	$ 914 00

Northwest India.

Mutra, Deaconess	$ 300 00
Two teachers	60 00
Scholarships	90 00
Ajmere, Scholarships	180 00
Cawnpore, One scholarship	30 00
Allahabad, Scholarships	45 00
Roorkee, Bible-readers (12)	220 00
Itinerating for missionary	34 00
Cart	8 00
Conveyance	34 00
Repairs	5 00
Meerut, Bible-readers	215 00
Total for N. W. India	$1,127 00

Bombay Conference.

Bombay, Miss Edith Thoy	$ 300 00
Three Day-schools	180 00
Scholarships	240 00
Insurance	27 00
Debt on school building	200 00
Poona, Hindustani work, Mrs. Vardon	100 00
Hurda, Lakhuadon Bible-woman	36 00
Lakhuadon, Teacher	28 00
Total Bombay Conference	$ 908 00

South India.

Kolar, Scholarships	$ 80 00
Bible-readers	40 00
Total for South India	$ 120 00

Malaysia.

Singapore, Miss Sophia Blackmore	$ 425 00
Miss Mary Cody	425 00
Vernacular teacher	80 00
Miss Vanderbeck	144 00
Mrs. Buddery	150 00
Miss Shields	72 00
Miss Young	72 00
Bible-woman	72 00
Scholarships	240 00

Conveyance	140 00
Contingencies	40 00
Publishing minutes	24 00
Penang, Miss Clara Martin	144 00
Vernacular teacher	50 00
Miss Ida Ellis	425 00
Vernacular teacher	50 00
Furniture	100 00
Scholarships, 20	400 00
To be used for the work	750 00
For land for home	2 000 00
Taipeng, Mrs. Curtis, home-coming	100 00
Total for Malaysia	$5,873 00

Bengal Conference.

Pakur, Building, conditional	$ 500 00
Total for Bengal	$ 500 00

Burma Conference.

Thandaung, Scholarships	$ 120 00
Total for Burma Conf.	$ 120 00

Foochow Conference.

Foochow, Miss Willma Rouse's salary	$ 600 00
Incidentals for the work	150 00
Two Bible-women	50 00
Scholarships	160 00
Medical students	80 00
Kucheng, Four day schools	100 00
Scholarships	480 00
Repairs	80 00
Rent of Home, conditional	300 00
Total Foochow Conf.	$ 2,150 00

Central China.

Chin Kiang, Scholarships	$ 30 00
Orphan	40 00
Total for Central China	$ 70 00

West China.

Chung-King, Miss Williams' outfit, passage, salary	$1,000 00
Scholarships	40 00
Day School	15 00
Total for West China	$1,055 00

Hing-Hua Conference.

Hing-Hua, Miss Goetz' salary	$ 450 00
Scholarships	150 00
Sieng-In, Miss Nicolaisen's salary	450 00
Scholarships	150 00
Home for Missionaries, conditional	500 00
Total for Hing-Hua Conf.	$1,700 00

Central Japan.

Tokyo, Industrial School, Miss Ella Blackstock	$ 600 00
Incidentals to the work	150 00
Insurance	30 00
Repairs	100 00
Watchman	35 00
Scholarships	400 00
Teachers Mathematics	45 00
" Literature	70 00
" Art	70 00
" Drawn-work	40 00
" Cooking	80 00
Two assistants	75 00
Matron	50 00
Miss Baucus' work	20 00
Total for Central Japan	$1,765 00

North Japan.

Hakodati, Scholarships	$ 120 00
Total North Japan	$ 120 00

Bulgaria.

Loftcha, Scholarships	$ 40 00
Total for Bulgaria	$ 40 00

Korea.

Seoul, Special work	$ 25 00
Bible Reader	50 00
Total for Korea	$ 75 00

SUMMARY.

North India	$ 914 00
Northwest India	1,127 00
Bombay	993 00
South India	120 00
Bengal	500 00
Burma	120 00
Malaysia	5,873 00
Foochow	2,150 00
Hing-Hua	1,700 00
Central China	70 00
West China	1,055 00
Central Japan	1,765 00
N. Japan	120 00
Korea	75 00
Bulgaria	40 00
Contingent	378 00
Total for 1902	$17,000 00

CONDENSED SUMMARY.

India	$ 3,774 00
China	4,975 00
Malaysia	5,873 00
Japan	1,885 00
Korea	75 00
Bulgaria	40 00
Contingent	378 00
	$17,000 00

Northwest India.

Aligarh, Scholarships	$ 135 00
Mutra, Scholarships	45 00
Meerut, Scholarships	450 00
Total for N. W. India	$ 630 00

Bombay Conference.

Bombay, Scholarships	$ 120 00
Native teachers	130 00
Debt on building	35 00
Baroda, Scholarships	40 00
Gujarat, Village work	800 00
Total for Bombay Conf.	$1,125 00

Malaysia.

Singapore, Miss Lilly	$ 425 00
Home passage	350 00
Miss Lilly's conveyance	140 00
Kindergarten supplies	100 00
Scholarships	120 00
Miss Gomes	72 00
Total for Malaysia	$ 1,207 00

China.

Foochow, Scholarships	$ 40 00
Bible-woman	25 00
Miss Parkinson	600 00
Seminary	100 00
Buildings	80[illegible]
Kucheng, Scholarships	2[illegible]
Total for China	$ 1,5[illegible]

North Japan.

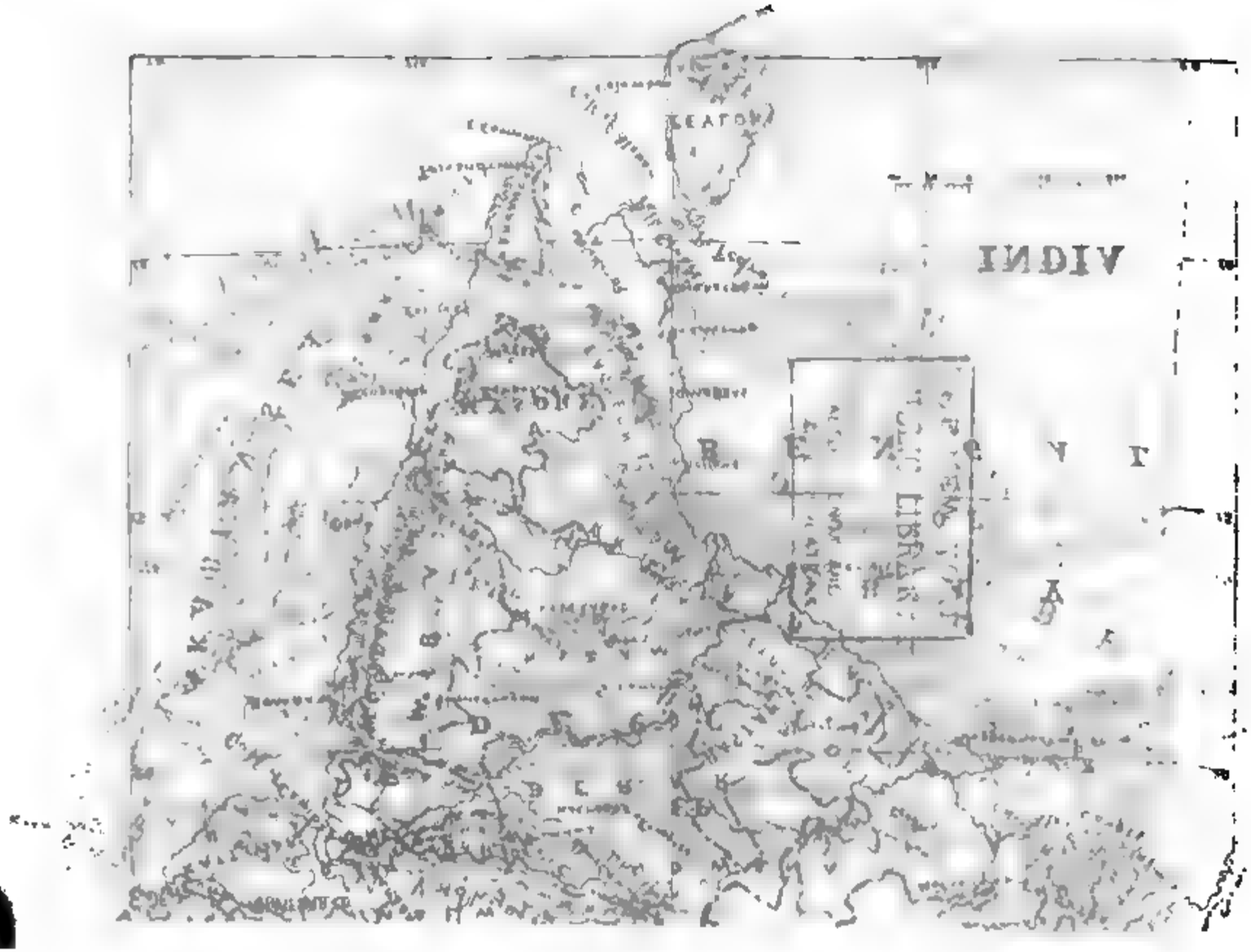
Hakodate, Scholarships	$ 8[illegible]
Murakami Masu	4[illegible]
Hirosaki, Prize Scholarship	4[illegible]
Odate, Bible-woman	3[illegible]
Total Northern Japan.	$ 19[illegible]

Central Japan.

Tokyo, Industrial scholarships	$ 12[illegible]
Teacher in wood carving	3[illegible]
Yokohama, Literary work	2[illegible]
Scholarships in Training School	8[illegible]
Total	$ 2[illegible]

Summary.

India	$ 2,18[illegible]
Malaysia	1,207
China	1,5[illegible]
Japan	4[illegible]
Still due on Twentieth Century Offering	4[illegible]
Contingent	4[illegible]
Grand total	$ 5,9[illegible]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KUMAON DISTRICT. Beginning with Bhot in the extreme north, it is found that Christianity is slowly gaining ground, though the Bhotya-caste still hold aloof. Those who have been baptized do not belong to this caste, but have made their homes in that region and will remain.

For the Bhotiyas to accept Christ would be to change their whole lives, and customs of marrying and burying, eating and drinking. Their religion is really devil worship.

As far as our missionaries are concerned this work is self-supporting. Dr. Sheldon feels that the people are abundantly able to support the work, and wisely is giving them an opportunity to do so.

Pithoragarh Circuit includes the village work, medical work, Woman's Home, and Girls' Boarding School, and in each the work has been carried on with blessed success.

There are seventy-four women in the Home, and one hundred and three in the Boarding School, and the report adds: "the majority are growing in the knowledge and love of God."

There have been trying experiences, but brave hearts to meet them. The news that Miss Budden is to visit America is very gratifying to those who have followed her self-sacrificing work in this mountain circuit.

In Dwarahat Mrs. Rockey, assisted by a Christian pundit, and four teachers, cares for the Boarding and Day School, and supervises the work of ten Bible-women and teachers in outlying circuits, and looking back at the close of the year, she finds much that gives joy and hope for greater results.

The district work about Naini Tal is under the care of Mrs. Knowles, who, with her Bible-women, has visited 400 houses and given glad tidings of a present Savior to 900 persons during the year. Naini Tal Hindustani work, under Miss Sullivan, who, with two assistants and five Bible-women and teachers, look after the native church, the school and community, has rendered most efficient service to a number of interests connected with our mission work.

The Wellesley Girls' High School cares for itself, and only comes before the authorities for commendation for work well done. Miss Easton says, when called on for a report: "It is hard to make history and to have to write it, too. Yet the history can soon be written, for goodness and mercy have been our portion, with almost perfect health among our hundred pupils and fifteen teachers, peace in the family, and good work in the school.

"We rejoiced over the passing of nearly all the thirty-nine pupils sent for government examination last December. Thirty were sent up this December and few failed to be promoted. Good order, growth in

character and the coming into the light, observable each year make the work a real pleasure."

Miss Seller's return was welcomed joyfully. Miss Carver was transferred at her own request to Raichur, South India Conference. Through Miss Easton's management, under God's blessing, the property since free from debt has risen in value each year, and now consists of thirty acres and six buildings. This work with its many-sided interests has never taken a backward step.

GARHWAL DISTRICT. Miss Kyle reports a prosperous year in the Girls' Orphanage and Boarding School in Pauri; good health and close attention to duty among the pupils guaranteed good reports at the close of the year. The girls go out to useful lives, fitted for blessed service. The Sunday school numbers one hundred.

The district work consists of school and evangelistic work in six large circuits, and is under the charge of Mrs. Gill, assisted by two teachers and twenty-one Bible-women. Under many discouragements good work is being done, and the seed of the Kingdom sown in faith that God will care for it, will bring forth fruit to the honor and glory of God.

MORADABAD DISTRICT. Fourteen large circuits are represented in this district, and religious work is carried on by some seventy-two Bible-women and teachers under the supervision of Miss Mary Means. Bijnour circuit includes the Girls' Boarding School and city work. The Boarding School enrolls fifty-nine scholars, and Miss McMullen bravely carried the work until a helper came. This school could be doubled if there was only more room. The situation is a healthy one, and there is not much opposition to Christian teaching; a resident missionary would greatly help the work in Bijnour in all departments. Mrs. Mansell supervises the school work and reports encouragingly.

Thirteen circuits on Moradabad district present a wide field for Gospel work, and an effort to meet the want is found in sixty-six Bible-readers and forty-nine evangelistic teachers assisted by twenty-five voluntary workers.

The Moradabad Boarding School under Miss Alice Means has had a prosperous year. All the Hindustani teachers are girls who have been educated there, and they prove very satisfactory. 137 girls are cared for in this school from which each year good workers go out to sow the seed of the Kingdom in other places. The evangelistic work under Miss Mary Means shows a great deal done in the year in this line. Miss Means reports 200 villages visited, and the same methods used as were tried last year.

SAMBHAL DISTRICT. Mrs. Minerva Adams, Superintendent. In this district there are thirteen circuits, each under the charge of a native preacher and his wife. There are in these circuits seventy-seven sub-circuits, each in charge of a local preacher or an exhorter. Work is being done in eight hundred and forty-nine towns and villages in which Christians are living. There are six hundred and seventy-four towns in which enquirers are found, and where the men and women both are being faithfully taught.

There are one hundred and four Sunday schools, in which five thousand four hundred and thirty-eight pupils are being taught. Of these, two thousand and ninety-one are women and girls. Non-Christians and Christians are taught the same lessons and sit together to study God's Word. These Sunday schools are the means of doing much good in spreading a knowledge of the truth. The lessons taught are impressed on many minds and are repeated in far distant places, where otherwise the people would never have heard Christian truth.

There are twenty-eight day schools, in which four hundred and ninety-one girls and women, Christian and non-Christian, are being taught secular and religious truth, and through these schools many heathen parents are being reached.

PILIBHIT DISTRICT. There are twelve circuits in this district. The woman's work is superintended by the wife of the presiding elder. Each circuit reports active prosecution of the work assigned it and a growing sense of responsibility is manifest in the reports presented ; twelve hundred villages were visited. Three thousand baptized women and girls are found in this district.

BAREILLY DISTRICT. This district naturally presents first the Orphanage and Boarding School. Three hundred and twenty-nine girls were cared for during the year, besides the day scholars connected with the school. There are seventeen teachers, forty-two women have been registered on the roll of the woman's school in connection with the theological seminary, thirty are taking the course for Bible-women. The medical work was greatly helped by the arrival of Dr. Margaret Lewis, who seems especially fitted for the place. She finds, as all new missionaries do, the work pressing on her so that it is hard to get the opportunity she craves for the study of the language. There are eighteen large circuits on this district, each with the net-work of out-stations, where sixty-eight Bible-women and forty-eight evangelistic teachers are employed.

Budaon, with the Seigler Girls' School as the first point of interest where ninety-two girls are under instruction under the care of Miss Curts, and West Shahjahanpore where 109 girls are cared for under the superintend-

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The Lucknow City Girls' Schools are under the care of Mrs. D. L. Thoburn. There are seven teachers employed in the four schools. Sunday schools are held regularly in these schools, and are taught by the two Christian teachers, and some students from the Christian college. The Sunday schools are well attended, and the future is hopeful.

Mrs. Messmore has superintended the mission work under the care of the English church in Lucknow, and found many avenues of usefulness in looking after the straying, comforting the sorrowing, and building up the Sunday school and temperance work.

The Home for Homeless Women has sheltered sixty-five women during the past year, and the spiritual development of many has been a cause of thankfulness. It is reported that after deducting all doubtful cases, nineteen have accepted Christ as a personal saviour. One wicked, heathen woman was sent by a Christian gentleman, a government official, who said she had polluted Lucknow. Seeing her some time afterwards, he failed to recognize her, she was so changed in appearance; but the change in her character was more marked. Hers was one of the brightest of the nineteen conversions. Miss Hardie has supervision of this work, also the zenana work, assisted by Miss Ingram and three Bible-women; one hundred and ninety-three homes are visited but more than these are reached, for in many places two or three families gather in one house. This count covers seventy-five Mohullas, and brings under instruction 1374 women and children. All the school work in Lucknow naturally had the one head, which fortunately was equal to all the phases of the work, could advise and sympathize with the varied experiences met in the work.

The Kindergarten work has had new life under Miss Brouse's training. Counting these the enrollment is one hundred and sixty-three. Of the four girls sent up for entrance examination three passed; one entered college and the others began teaching in our mission schools; there are seven in the present entrance class.

Lucknow Woman's College has completed another year, which like the last had many causes for thankfulness. When the Principal returned, she found both school and college in the best working order. Efficiency and faithfulness on the part of the teachers had awakened like character in the students and added to this in our own girls, a superior class of students had come in from other schools. Valuable apparatus had been added to the laboratory, and the library enriched by many valuable books—the latter nearly all the gift of Miss Lilly R. Gracey—her second donation from the sale of "Gist."

The Harriet Warren Hall has been utilized for concerts, lectures and socials, Dasehra meetings and temperance meetings are held there and it is a means of education to the city as well as the college students; and

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In Phalera, with its primary and industrial school of two hundred and fifty girls and home of fifty widows, two more missionaries are needed, one for the school and another for the industrial work and the training of the widows for Bible-readers. There is wide opportunity for practical work with these women in the villages round about. Then a fifth is necessary for the evangelistic work of this district where are nearly twelve thousand Christians, three thousand having been brought in this year.

The Muttra training school has enjoyed a prosperous year, the best in its history, the attendance has more than doubled and commendable progress has been made by the students. Miss Gregg asks that help be sent to her, as in addition to the school she has oversight of the evangelistic work of the Khasganj district. She gives the following interesting account of the Bible-women and their equipment.

"A Bible-reader, as she starts out for her work in the villages, may have no shoes on her feet, may be carrying a child on one hip. She has no college education, she may never have attended a graded school, yet she knows some of the fundamental principles of the Bible. She knows the Ten Commandments, the Lord's Prayer, the Catechism and something of the life of Christ—and knowing these she can teach them to her ignorant, heathen, village sisters. The more advanced workers read and write very well, know something of arithmetic and read and teach some religious books in addition to the Bible.

"Because of our western ideas and feelings of energy, we sometimes feel as if they do not accomplish as much as they might, but considering the disadvantages under which they work, I think they do remarkably well. They are instrumental in gathering girls for our boarding schools and in leading the women and girls to Christ. Little by little the villages are being threaded by these workers."

Miss Abbot was given over to the Muttra boarding school immediately upon her arrival in the country, because of the transfer of Miss Wright to Ajmere, to meet the emergency in that work. Though working under the disadvantage of being new and inexperienced, she reports a good year, increased numbers, and the girls have grown in knowledge and in grace.

Miss Abbott says, "If ever I become discouraged, all I have to do to restore my spirits is to compare our girls with those in the villages

about us. How I long to gather these girls into our school where they may be taught, and in turn go out to teach others."

In Aligarh the work has been rearranged since conference appointments were made. Mrs. Matthews is transferred to the Widows' Home, Miss Bobenhouse is given the Orphanage and Mrs. Lawson the district work. From reports received each is happy in the work assigned her and finds cause for thankfulness in the progress made in various ways, by those committed to her guardianship.

Mrs. Lawson proposes to deed to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society the forty acres with all the buildings belonging to the Widows' Home, free from incumbrance. The funds for this property she secured by personal solicitation. It is hoped that in a few years this home will be self-supporting, and that trained workers will go forth from it, who will be instruments in the salvation of multitudes of India's women.

Miss Livermore sends an encouraging report from Meerut. The school was much helped by the summer school, which brought about seventy families into the town for religious training. What they saw and heard, made these native people wish to give their girls a chance for a Christian education. Three of the girls passed the government examination this year and this attracted the attention of the native people. It is a pleasure to report that of all the schools in the Northwest Province, the Meerut school stood second in the government examination.

Mrs. Buck superintends the work of seventy-one Bible-readers in the Meerut district. She writes: "It is hard for the uninitiated to realize the needs of our village Christians. As a rule, belonging to the depressed classes, we found them at disadvantage. They had for ages been oppressed by their neighbors, they had neither social privileges nor were allowed to attend any schools or have anything in common with the better classes. In many cases their becoming Christians brought a storm of persecution upon them. Over and over false charges have been brought against them. Then often in becoming Christians they knew but little. It was the old hunger of the soul for God that no heathen worship could satisfy. The Holy Spirit shone into their darkened hearts, they saw the truth in Jesus and accepted it, but it found them down on the old level of heathen superstition. They knew nothing of the Bible, had no Sabbath and were unacquainted with Christian usages. Their women were still more ignorant, their little girls had been given in heathen marriages that no power could annul, and their boys had some infant bride. With all the old rites which for ages had been fastened upon them with reference to births, marriages and burial,—for in these idol worship has its citadel—it is seen how dark their state is. No matter how true they are, or how sincerely they renounce idolatry, yet much is still to be done.

"The pastor-teacher, as a rule, has the care of many villages. He cannot see them often, he can scarcely stop to teach them to read their Bibles. Then often he himself has not been a Christian long. Under these circumstances, is it a wonder we long for more laborers? Aside from this direct work for our Christians, so many thousand inquirers wait for instruction and the need of the millions who still come and go in heathen darkness, and know not how dark it is.

"We have during the year visited all the circuits, some of them several times. In our hurried visits from place to place, attending the quarterly conferences, thus meeting the workers of each circuit, we have often stopped with them in their homes, shared their hospitality, thus getting into close touch with them. On the whole, we have noted a steady growth among our village Christians. There is a greater zeal among them, a gathering together, a 'coming out' as distinctly Christian."

Cawnpore high school has had a good year, the debt is so reduced as to be no longer a burden and Miss Lauck looks forward eagerly to a day near at hand when the last dollar will be paid. The regular school work has gone on steadily and with unusual zeal. Teachers and pupils have shown an interest which has amounted to enthusiasm. The numbers are larger than for years. The girls are instructed in housework, dressmaking and gardening and it is with great satisfaction that we see them developing into useful, all-around women with their hands trained as well as their minds. We aim to make our school a home where our girls can become fitted for true usefulness in any position in which they may be placed.

Their spiritual growth has been most encouraging. Their daily lives show that they are truly Christians. Some of them are looking forward to active missionary work, when they shall have the necessary training and we are expecting much from their lives thus consecrated in their youth to the Master's service.

The boarding school for native girls is in charge of Mrs. Worthington who writes: "The record of another year's work is written with gratitude as we recall the Lord's dealings with us, His help in the hard places, the mercies which have abounded and His faithfulness. Difficulties and perplexities come in school work and the care of more than one hundred girls is not a light responsibility. More than any other year, the girls have tried to do what is right and there has been a kind, helpful spirit among them; even in the very little ones this has been noticeable. The older girls are nearly all Christians and it is encouraging to see that, as they grow in years, they grow in goodness and helpfulness."

Mrs. Hoskins superintends the work of the Bible readers in the six circuits of this district. In Cawnpore the day schools have been well at-

tended. Prayer meetings are held in connection with two of these schools and heathen neighbors frequently gather in, attracted by the singing. Sunday school work is carried on by the Bible-women and day school teachers. Work has at times been interrupted by sickness in the homes of the workers, but on the whole we see that something has been accomplished for the Master, and with renewed courage we take up the work of another year.

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MISSIONARIES.

Haiderabad.
CATHARINE WOOD,
*ALICE A. EVANS.

Kolar.
FANNIE S. FISHER,
FLORENCE MASKELL.

Madras.
GRACE STEPHENS.
Raicher.
MARGARET B. CARVER

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

Raipur.
MRS. G. K. GILDER.

MRS. BATSTONE,

Bidar.
MRS. A. E. COOK.

*Home on leave.

South India sends forth the call: "Enlarge the place of they tent, and stretch forth the curtains of thy habitations; spare not; lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy stakes. For thou shalt spread abroad on the right hand and on the left, and thy seed shall possess the nations and make the desolate cities to be inhabited."

BIDAR. Rev. and Mrs. Cook have opened a fine work among women and girls in Bidar and the nearby villages, and are very desirous to have the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society take charge of it. There is neither orphanage nor boarding school at Bidar, but the children they gather are sent to Haiderabad, Raichur and Gulbarga. They made themselves responsible for support of twelve. The workers are three Bible-women and a teacher of a day school. Four women and girls have been baptized during the year, bringing the roll of Christian women and girls up to thirty. Recognizing the desirability of a missionary, or at least a trained assistant, Mrs. Cook asks of us support of Bible-women only, in this town of over eleven thousand and its adjacent villages.

HAIDERABAD. During the year Miss Wood, who was with us in our last General Executive meeting, returned to her work, and Miss Evans left on home furlough. The much needed property has been purchased, and it is with gratitude we record rapid advancement in the Orphanage and Boarding School. Miss Evans says of the Boarding School: "It is a vine of the Lord's own planting; continues to grow, and fruit is not wanting. It has been the best year in its history in the religious life of the girls. Eternity alone will reveal the good done in the five city schools, where the Mohammedan girls are taught to read good books, where they come to know of the great world beyond the walls which shut them in, and where they are taught to call God their Father, and to know the Lord Jesus is the world's Savior."

Zenana work has an unfailing interest, and Miss Evans says no joy in this world can compare with that of telling a Brahmin widow of the love of God. Miss Wood continues to superintend the work in Secunderabad along with her other work, and has been able by her strict economy to reduce expenses—using same conveyance for both stations, etc.

VIKARABAD. Mrs. Batstone has kindly taken charge of this important work since Mrs. Garden has been in America. A lease of land has been secured, and a missionary of our own Society and suitable buildings are greatly needed. These girls need to be safe-guarded on every side, even from their own relatives.

Miss Maskell writes that the minds of the children in the four village schools are being stored with God's Word, and in February they gave a most creditable exhibition. Sometimes, when passing a heathen temple, they shout out "These are all false gods; there is but one true God." In August a zenana party was given, about 300 women being present.

Bible-women are doing excellent work, and greater confidence is being established between the women they visit and themselves.

BANGALORE. Members of the Finance Committee of South India Conference are weeping and wailing, if not gnashing their teeth, that, instead of the help they ask for, they receive such disastrous cuts in appropriations. We are again asked to send two missionaries to Bangalore, one for the Vernacular and one for the Girl's Department of the Baldwin Schools.

Miss Fox, who has for several years done faithful work among the Kanarese people, instructing the women in ten villages, says it is pleasant to see how her visits and those of her Bible-women are anticipated, and how quickly the women put aside their work and listen eagerly and reverently to God's Word. She rejoices over the baptism of six of her pupils.

Miss Woutersz works among the Tamil people, and the schools in her charge, says the official correspondent, are enough to delight the hearts of any of Christ's followers.

KOLAR. 'Miss Fisher has been able to give the entire year to service without the necessity of a vacation. Jesus has been her daily companion and He has given her many tokens of His love and guidance. Twenty-one girls have, since the 1st of January, been received into the Orphanage. The transforming power of the Spirit has been exhibited in the dispositions and lives of many of the girls. Bishop Warne was greatly pleased to see the decided stand so many took for Christ, and recommended dividing the class-meeting into a number of smaller ones, making the older and more spiritual girls responsible for the younger ones. Experiment proved to be a decided success. The work in the school shows excellent results. The roll call numbers over 150. The need for a new church was presented by Bishop Warne to the native congregation and quickly $420 was pledged. Almost every girl pledged herself for something and before six months had passed they had met their obligations. Work was begun early in the year on the girls' school building and dormitories.

The William A. Gamble Deaconess Home continues to be a wonder to the people who come to Kolar, and it is indeed a light in that dark land. A Brahmin lady on her way from the temple passed the house and exclaimed, "What god is this house built for?" Miss Maskell heard the question and at once went to the gate, invited the woman in and showed her the house. She explained to the woman why it was built to the true God; showed her the pictures of Mr. and Mrs. Gamble that adorn the walls, and the woman was much pleased. She has since brought some of her friends and always points to the pictures and explains how they loved Jesus and built the house for Him. Who will prophesy to what that simple question will lead?

RAICHUR. Miss Carver has been transferred from Naini Tal, North India Conference, to Raichur. The official correspondent says: Of all the needy stations in S. India, Raichur is the *most* needy. Thankful that one capable has been appointed to superintend the work, she fears she will not be there long unless something is speedily done to better conditions. She lives in a small bungalow with little rooms and low ceilings, and some 45 girls using as a dormitory, a room adjacent to hers. During an epidemic one child died in the dining room and one on the veranda, and she had to keep one corpse in the drawing room over night before burial. The school is growing and has been recognized by the Government and will receive grant in aid.

MADRAS. The past year has been the crowning year of Miss Stephens' work. She has "wrought with both hands diligently." Keeping in close touch with "my Madras, India," her purposes, plans and wishes have been faithfully executed there and here. What words can tell what she has done in America for Christ and His Gospel and Madras? Hers is a striking personality. One smile from her as she stood upon the platform and all hearts opened to take her in, while with the recital of thrilling incidents of conversions, prejudice against foreign missions has melted as snow under the summer's sun. As we have looked and listened, we have said again and again: "Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit." We have looked upon "a reed moved by the Holy Ghost." How close, how *very* close, Madras has come to us in the persons of the two dear women, Miss Grace Stephens and Sooboonagam Ammal, whom we received in New York, April 26, 1900. With them we have traversed its streets, threaded its alleys, entered zenanas in the city and huts in the villages. We have worshiped in the English church and in the Tamil church; we have *lived* in the Deaconess Home and the Harriet Skidmore Orphanage. We have tarried in the engine room—the Baltimore memorial—and have watched the little woman testing accurately the power available; lubricating the places of friction; adjusting the bands; and we have sung doxologies of praise. We have learned as we could not have done under other conditions, the ability of her sister, Mrs. Jones, upon whom the care and responsibility of this great work fell during Miss Stephens' absence. How bravely she has borne it! How skillfully she has carried it! How heroically she has met its emergencies! The coming of Meenambai—another high caste native—into the Home was fraught with danger and required tactful management. Mrs. Jones was equal to it. August 8th that dreadful disease, cholera, which was raging in Madras, came into the Orphanage, and in a few hours there were four dead. In the midst of this great trial the matron deserted, but the young lady assistants stood by, and they share in the praise we generously accord for the success of the year. Safety was in flight and the Orphanage was vacated, to remain so until such time as the children should be returned.

SIRONCHA. *Miss Fuller is the one missionary of our Methodist Episcopal Church at this station, and nothing daunted by her isolation, is bravely holding the fort till such time as the Parent Board and our own society will send reinforcements. She is the frontier missionary of the South India Conference, the nearest railway station being ninety miles distant. To obtain food supplies, such as wheat, potatoes, sugar etc.,

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*P. S.—Since the above report was written a cablegram has been received announcing the death of Miss Fuller, of Sironcha.

her carts must travel 180 miles through jungles—homes for wild beasts—deep sands, and ford rivers or cross them on boats. In a time of sickness, as she thought how she would relish a piece of toast made of wheat bread and a cup of tea, she said, "I was baby enough to cry because I could not have it." She enters no complaint, but says, "We are pushing on to reach the thousands, yes, tens of thousands, in Sironcha and nearby villages who have never heard of Christ." There have been baptisms—few, because candidates must wait till an ordained minister can serve them.

RAIPUR. The first appropriation for work here was made in 1899, and how confidently, as we have watched its almost unequaled development, we can say "It is God's way." If we trace it to its providential beginning we find it in the famine; if we look for its first, and it is no exaggeration to say its strongest human instrument, we must name Rev. George K. Gilder. The power of the Most High rests upon Elizabeth, the Bible-woman evangelist, and she is constantly bringing children to the Orphanage and converts to Mr. Gilder for baptism. I am in possession of 22 strings of beads taken from the necks of as many Satnamis by themselves, before receiving baptism. These necklets were the sign of consecration to their Guru and his teaching. The Satnamis are a wonderfully interesting people, and as they are not idolaters, do not use intoxicants or tobacco, call themselves Followers of the True Name, they are very accessible to the Gospel.

Miss Blackmar, after nearly twenty years of heroic and faithful service as missionary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, has united her fortunes with Rev. Gilder's, and in her new relation as wife and mother cannot give our work the close supervision that its interest demands. Hence the estimate for one missionary or two deaconesses. On Raipur circuit are eight hundred thousand women who are our wards. No other society in the immense Godavery district is engaged in work for women, and it is estimated that it has a population of two million women. What shall we do for them? "Whoso seeth her sister have need," etc.

MRS. E. B. STEVENS, *Official Correspondent.*

BOMBAY CONFERENCE.

Organized as a Conference, 1892.

Woman's Work Commenced, 1884.

MISSIONARIES.

Bombay.

CHRISTINA H. LAWSON, MARTHA J. MILLER, ELIZABETH W. NICHOLS, CHARLOTTE J. PORTER, RUTH E. ROBINSON.

Baroda.

MARY E. WILLIAMS.

Jubbulpore.

NETTIE M. HYDE. LOUISA HAEFER.

Khandwa.

ANNA E. ELLICKER.

Poona.

*ELIZABETH M. BENTHEIN. MARTELLE ELLIOT.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE OF WORK:

MRS. MARTHA DAY ABBOTT, MRS. W. W. BRUERE, MRS. H. W. BUTTERFIELD,
MRS. W. L. CLARKE, MRS. H. R. CALKINS, MRS. J. O. DENNING,
MRS. W. H. GRENON, *MRS. F. R. FELT, MRS. ELLEN WARNER FOX,
MRS. E. F. FREASE, MRS. E. H. HUTCHINGS, MRS. T. E. LINZELL,
MRS. W. A. MOORE, MRS. D. OSBORNE, MRS. G. W. PARK,
MRS. ANNA THOMPSON STEVENS, *MRS. J. M. THOBURN,
MRS. A. S. VARDON, MRS. R. C. WARD, MRS. W. D. WALLER.

*Home on Furlough.

BOMBAY. In Bombay district, Bombay and Poona are the centers of work. In Bombay, Miss Nichols of the zenana work reviews the year with praises to God for His dealings to them.

On Miss Lawson's necessary departure for America in November, Miss Nichols took charge of the school in addition to her own duties. This burden was lifted by the arrival of Misses Miller and Robinson in December.

Miss Nichols writes of the zenana work that it increases. "Many Marathi and Hindustani people in their homes are accepting Jesus as their Savior, but are not yet ready to confess openly. We have visited plague and segregation camps. Brahmans have asked us to pray with their loved ones, and more than once confessed that the Christian's God had healed their sick. Some touring has been done in the villages, thus reaching many who heard the Gospel for the first time. There are two hundred zenanas visited weekly."

Orphanage. Miss Miller says of the Orphanage, that unusual good health prevailed among the girls. Of the one hundred and sixty girls on roll, there has been but one case of plague, and this one is stronger than before the attack. The Lord has taken three to Himself; one a delicate babe, and two helpless cripples. One girl suffering for a long time with sores and ulcers, was found to be afflicted with leprosy and was sent to a leper asylum. Miss Phoy has done faithful work in English classes and kindergarten. A number of girls are expected to pass at the annual inspection in October. A vocal music teacher has been added. Some of the girls are becoming strong in Christian character and many little ones are sweet Christians.

City Schools. Miss Robinson reports the city schools as having a larger attendance than was expected. The school for high caste Hindus had to be closed during the worst period of the plague and will not be opened unless rooms can be secured in a private house. Sunday schools have been well kept up. They hope soon to start a school for Gujarati speaking Khoja girls. The Aga Khan, who is at the head of this influential class of Mohammedans, has offered rooms in his compound, rent free, and fifty girls promised to attend. Other appeals have been made for schools, and with the means at hand the numbers could be multiplied indefinitely. In Bombay, where education is so popular, the school is the "open door" to non-Christian homes.

Mrs. Stevens, in addition to her regular duties as pastor's assistant, has opened houses as centers for religious services.

On visiting a Hindu temple, the priest was found ill of plague. He said he had given up all for the people and received what they gave him to eat and wear; his wish was to make the people better. Mrs. Stevens talked and prayed with him and promised to come again. On the second visit the place was found empty—the Lord had called him. This temple continues to be one of the regular meeting places.

The Telegaon Industrial School, Miss Porter in charge, has increased the past year from forty-six to seventy-two girls. Twelve of these are supported by special patrons; the remainder, by aid from the Woman's Society and from various famine funds.

The Americo-Indian Relief Fund gave money for a well and government remembered them generously.

Much improvement has been made in needle work. Some girls can cut and make their own garments and also those for the little ones. Lace-making and button-making is nicely done. Gardening, poultry raising and dhobies' work (washing), have been added to the industries. In November nineteen girls were received into the church, most of whom are proving faithful; twenty-two others are on probation.

POONA. Taylor High School—Miss Elliott, missionary.

All obstacles have been removed and government has sanctioned the purchase of property, which purchase was made May 13, 1901. This brings a debt, but we are trusting in Him who hath led thus far. The past year a number have left this school for various places of labor and others are ready to go. Two girls are in the Muttra Training School. The school buildings are over-crowded; there are thirty-three boarders and forty-six day pupils. The majority of the children are orphans; all are enthusiastic in helping to pay for the building. At a recent concert $20 was raised, and another concert is soon to be given. A Normal training department has been opened for the preparation of teachers. Our needs in this school are, an able assistant, ten thousand dollars for the new property and six hundred to repair the present building. We are still praying the way may open for a kindergarten.

Of the work among women and girls, Mrs. Fox writes: "The work in the schools, though not all we desire, is encouraging now that we have had several months free from plague and famine. The rains are nearly a month late. The rainy season is the time that we usually contend with epidemic diseases, especially cholera and plague. We never know what is in store for us, but hope for the best. The delay of rain has occasioned a feeling of uncertainty in the minds of many, and has led the grain dealers to increase their prices, which means distress to the poor. Some of our children are kept away from school because their parents send them out daily to beg. There are many receiving famine relief from the government."

The zenanas in Mrs. Vardon's care have been giving much encouragement to their visitor. The work is only in its beginning, but opportunities increase. Many women are asking the teacher to come to their homes. Helpers are needed if these invitations are to receive a favorable response. He who has directed that the seed be sown will surely send willing hands and loving hearts to labor in the vineyard.

The Anglo Indian Girls' Home has forty-four girls. Mrs. Hutchings writes: "Their ages range from four to eighteen years. During the year one girl has entered mission work in Poona, and another has gone to the Muttra Training School for preparation for work. Thus the aim of our home is being accomplished, for which we praise the Lord."

From Godhra Mrs. Ward writes: "As one result of the women's work in this circuit, we have been enabled to baptize one hundred and eighty-eight girls, most of whom were rescued from the famine. The teaching, nursing and rearing of this large number of girls has taken up nearly the whole of my time, and that of my assistant, Mrs. Green. In

the villages around the women's work is progressing, as the people are slowly recovering from the severe shock of famine and plague. One of our rescued waifs now is happily married to a teacher in the Girls' School at Godhra.

GUZARAT DISTRICT. The evangelistic work, covering a territory of five circuits, is in the care of Mrs. Frease. There is a pastor for each circuit, a native preacher, and in most cases his wife has a general supervision of the women's work. She assists the Bible-women in their studies, instructs the wives of workers, holds meetings with the village women and like duties and, in turn, receives help from the missionary in charge of evangelistic work. The past year's famine interrupted the progress of our district work, homes of Bible-women were turned into orphanages and grain shops, and school houses into famine kitchens; but this year the work gradually resumed its normal state.

In Baroda circuit there have recently been many baptisms. Here are 200 women and girls living at eight points visited by one evangelistic teacher—as we term the Bible-women. Umreth Circuit has eight points, 400 Christian women and girls and three teachers. Od Circuit has thirteen points, 400 Christian women and girls and three teachers. Wasad Circuit has 250 Christian women and girls and three teachers. Vaso Circuit has 600 Christian women and girls living in twelve villages with but one teacher to visit them. In this last place the workers' wives are under instruction, and 't is hoped these will prove good help. "The harvest is great, the laborers are few."

Miss Frease writes that the training school for women began the year with nine and has increased to twelve; these are making good progress. The school is furnished with comfortable living quarters for twenty families, and improved school room accommodation is to be included in the church building about to be erected.

"At Nadiad, the missionary's wife, Mrs. Park, has her hands well filled with the care of an orphanage of 350 boys, famine waifs, yet she has been looking after the women's work, visited by nine evangelistic teachers. "Mrs. Park strongly urges the need of a lady missionary to care for the women of the circuits. There are many candidates for bap tism, the probable fruits of seeds sown by evangelistic teachers."

The Baroda Girls' Orphanage now numbers 265. Miss Williams is encouraged in seeing the present progress. Many who came into the home a few months ago as famine waifs, untaught and unruly, are now becoming quite respectable members of the school and give promise of future usefulness. The girls do most of their own work. Three of the

older ones are pupil teachers. One has lately married and two more are about to be. These will join their husbands in village work. The girls grow spiritually and mentally.

CENTRAL PROVINCES DISTRICT. At Burhaupur the Bible-women are doing very acceptable work in visiting zenanas and Christian communities, and instructing inquirers.

At Basim, Mrs. Moore is caring for eighty-two girls in the Orphanage, including five little ones under four years of age. About 240 houses are visited by five Bible-women. A number of girls of the Orphanage have been baptized the past year, also a number of women from the Bible-women's work.

Mrs. Clarke, at Kamptee, feels the need of proper buildings for the girls and also asks for scholarships. The zenana work has been blessed. In one house visited the women became so interested that they would call in their neighbors and friends to listen to the Gospel story. This stirred up opposition and the head of the house forbade further visits.

"Jubbulpore Orphanage began the year with 330 names on roll. Six more have been received, but deaths and removals have brought down the number to 312.

"Throughout the year there has been a number of deaths among both old and new girls. In February, seventy-five girls were received into the church as full members. It was a beautiful sight to see the bright, happy-faced girls as they took the vows of church membership."

"A class of 100 new girls is being prepared for baptism. Regular evening prayer-meetings are held to pray for the deepening of the spiritual life in the school. The annual examination of April showed good progress. Out of a class of eighty-four, taught by pupil teachers, seventy-nine passed. A result grant of $270 was earned. A medical missionary is greatly needed here." Miss Hyde has sufficient to tax her time and strength aside from so large a school.

Evangelistic and zenana work and city schools of Jubbulpore are in the care of Miss Haefer. "The zenana work has been greatly interfered with this year by a severe epidemic of small-pox, which attacked many of the women and children in the homes where Bible-women teach. Several died, one of the number being one of the brightest children of the Urdu school.

"The city schools continue to thrive; a marked improvement can be seen in the pupils. The Urdu School also has increased in attendance.

"Four women from the Widows' Home have been baptized. It is difficult to make the women realize the necessity of change of heart, and all that can be done is to sow the seed, and, with prayer and patience, await results."

"The Orphanage at Khandwa," Miss Elicker assures us, "has been especially blessed in having very few deaths and little sickness. The girls are doing well in their school work, also with their sewing, lace and button making. The girls have eagerly taken hold of the Twentieth Century Thank offering and many of them spent most of their playtime during vacation making buttons, sewing or other extra work to earn money to give toward the offering. A few have already paid their pledges in full for the two years (the time allotted, during which monthly offerings are to be made toward the Thank Offering). During our meeting in June many of our famine girls stood up, signifying their desire to receive Christian baptism. These will be placed in classes for special training. We have great reason for thankfulness."

The zenanas of Khandwa receive our teachings gladly, but our work has been interrupted by the removal of a very efficient teacher, whose place we have been unable to fill. At this writing we have a teacher in view and hope our hindrances are a thing of the past. Two Bible-women have been visiting in the mohullas, one in Khandwa, one in Harsud, which is a small city near by. There is great work to be done in the villages among untaught Christian women and girls and we are planning to reach these.

"At Narsinghpur, teaching in zenanas and mohullas has been regularly and faithfully given. So far there are no marked conversions among the women, nor have there been any baptisms, but there is reason to believe the teaching has been bearing fruit. We get a better hearing than formerly, and, from what is occasionally said, there are secret disciples among the women in the zenanas."

M. S. HUSTON,
Official Correspondent.

BENGAL CONFERENCE.

Organized as a Conference 1886. Re-organized 1893.
Woman's Work Commenced in 1882.

MISSIONARIES.

Asansol.
MIRIAM FORSTER.

Darjeeling.
EMMA L. KNOWLES, *JOSEPHINE STAHL, JULIA WISNER,
MARY V. MCKINLEY.

Pakur.
MISS JACOBSON.

Calcutta.
KATE A. BLAIR, FRANCES CRAIG, ANNA SUDERSTROM,
ELIZABETH MAXEY, JENNIE MOYER, CARRIE SAMSON.

Rangoon.
FANNIE PERKINS.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. J. E. ROBINSON, MRS. H. JACKSON, MRS. W. P. BYERS,
MRS. ADA LEE, MRS. J. P. MEIK, MRS. J. SMITH,
MRS. J. CULSHAW, MRS. W. F. WARNE, MRS. HILL.

*Home on leave.

The year has closed in Bengal Conference as it opened, with a painful dearth of workers and a growing work, which makes the situation even more difficult than at our last report. Miss Samson must be relieved, came with every message from Calcutta, and at my urgent request Bishop Warne sent Miss Wisner to Calcutta Girls' School, but her hard year in the Philippines had totally unfitted her for work on the plains and she was sent to Darjeeling with the hope that she might do good service with Miss Knowles. On arriving there she had an attack of diphtheria, so for the time being was a burden instead of a help.

She must remain at Darjeeling if she remain in India at all, and Miss Maxey says of her: "She is a rare woman and it would be India's loss for her to have to return home."

So Miss Samson has failed to get her kindergarten teacher, without which she can get no government aid, yet she has had great help and a comfort in Miss Storrs, a self-supporting missionary from New England. "She is my *burden-bearer*," writes Miss Samson.

Better food and better teachers have increased the number of boarders from 96 last year to 110 in August, 1901, with a prospect of still more. Miss Samson says, "I *could* make 120 girls comfortable, and then if another wanted to come I fear I would let her in." Day pupils number 170.

CALCUTTA DEACONESS HOME, Miss Maxey in charge. Miss Maxey records this as a year of blessings. Among others she names the leasing of a new and desirable house in which she and Miss Craig will live, the presence of Mrs. Warne and Edith in the Home before they left for America, the hope that Dr. Mulford might return to her, having Miss Craig at her table three times a day, and the blessed privilege of helping the poor and needy and sorrowing ones. She has learned that to "consider the poor" means to help with sympathy, counsel and love more than money. She rejoices over the victory of the W. C. T. U. in getting a law prohibiting barmaids being employed in hotels or bars. She finds enough work for two women and asks for a helper from America.

CALCUTTA ORPHANAGE. Miss Craig closes the year with 45 girls in her Orphanage.

Miss Maxey and Miss Craig have leased for eight years a large house, which will accommodate both the Orphanage and Deaconess Home. As soon as they can re-lease the old Orphanage or the lease expires, Miss Craig will be relieved of the necessity of going out to collect money to pay her rent, and in many ways both she and Miss Maxey will be more comfortable and happy in their new home.

Miss Craig must come home this year. She, in the truest sense, mothers these girls, and such devotion must wear out the vitality of the strongest woman.

Native City Work. The women of the Bengali Church, Calcutta, are visited regularly by Mrs. Chew and her two Bible-women. Mrs. Chew's illness has kept her at home, but these faithful Bible-women visit seventy-five families and spend several hours at the Hospital every Monday. This work has resulted in a number of baptisms.

At Kidderpore nineteen Hindoo homes were visited and the work is full of promise. They *beg* for schools and would do what they could toward their support, but all this promising work must be closed if some Branch does not send them financial help. Mrs. Chew cannot carry on her work among native women in Calcutta unless money is sent. She wants very much a conveyance.

Mrs. Robinson says, the Lord has helped through the past year, but He will expect the W. F. M. S. to do the work now that they know the need.

BOLPUR, Mrs. Lieden in charge. The changed lives of these Bolpur women give many evidences of their changed hearts. Their simple prayers, their happy songs as they go about their work, and their regard for each other are truly the fruits of the Spirit working out in their lives. At the Bible classes held twice a week they are learning Divine truths and committing to memory verses of Scripture and are being fitted for the work of bringing others into the Kingdom. As a result of village work 1,300 have received the Word of Life.

Hindustani Work. Mrs. Retta Robinson reports seventeen children in the Hindustani School. She finds it more difficult to gather Hindustans than Bengali children into school. The zenana work is carried on by Ellen and Lochina.

The Christian families and their heathen neighbors gather in the court-yard and listen attentively to the singing and truths taught by Mrs. Robinson and her helpers. Some of the women seem to be real Christians, though they are not baptized. "We trust their names are written in the book of life."

The cares of the world, not of riches, but of poverty, often "choke the Word," but the precious seed, borne with so much discouragement, shall "doubtless" return a joyful harvest.

BEY BAGAN AND SOUTH VILLAGES, Mrs. Culshaw in charge. "Mrs. Culshaw is a born missionary and lives for her work and, of course, has good results," writes one who knows her well, and her most interesting report proves the statement. She has four schools, two in Calcutta and one in a village twelve miles from Calcutta in one direction and another fifteen miles distant in another direction. In spite of the panic caused in the city schools by the plague, Mrs. Culshaw says that it has been the best year so far. In one of the village schools the parents object to the singing of Christian hymns yet do not object to their children learning the words of the hymns. Half an hour each day is given to Bible study. The great need in the villages is Bible readers.

In a recent visit to Champahti, Mrs. Culshaw gave the Gospel message to 106 women, many of whom heard it for the first time. These simple village women are so easily impressed with the truth and these visits are "red letter days" for them.

Twelve homes are visited in Bey Bagan, and many of the women believe in God. Mrs. Culshaw is a sweet singer and carries the message to many hearts through her songs. She greatly needs more money for her important work.

TAMLUK. Miss Blair's health has not been good since her return, yet she has maintained her work in the midst of a dense population where, for a radius of many miles, her one day school and Miss

Moyer's zenana work with one Bible-woman, is the sum total of missionary work in all that region. The school is held in a ten-by-twenty room in Miss Blair's own house, where forty or fifty girls are taught geography, arithmetic, grammar and the science of good health. The girls are bright and good and eager to learn ; it is a joy to teach them.

Zenana Work. Miss Moyer is getting the language and the hearts of the women also, and with a bright, attractive Bible-woman as her helper, doors are opening and the future is promising.

MAZUFFERPORE ORPHANAGE, Miss Campbell in charge. The girls have been doing good work in school, although the rainy season caused an epidemic of colds and fever, which sadly interfered with their studies.

Since moving into their comfortable house the health has been much improved and for eight months not a death occurred. One of the older girls who has been teaching for $1.00 a month is to be married soon and there is no one to fill her place. She is a good teacher, and has been in the Orphanage six years. Miss Soderstrom is in charge of Mazufferpore zenana work and reports sixty-three women and twenty-nine girls who are learning to read and write; some are making rapid progress and soon will be able to read the Gospel for themselves.

The two village schools are prospering. Miss S. is so grateful for a comfortable house and a large veranda, where all the services are held.

DIAMOND HARBOR CIRCUIT, Mrs. Mozumdar in charge. We have a girls' school numbering twenty. They are taught the catechism Old Testament and about the life of Jesus. The faithful pastor's wife is carrying on this work under great difficulties and with no money from the W. F. M. S.

DEANETTE TRAINING SCHOOL. Mrs. Lee has been absent in the hills most of the summer, but Miss Dey has faithfully carried out the work. The evangelistic character of this work is a dominant feature. When Mrs. Lee comes in contact with a girl, she is never satisfied until she sees her clearly converted.

A missionary writes of her "The Kingdom of God has been enlarged and the time of Christ's coming hastened by the work she has done. She is doing a grand work, but she has to do it her own way, and we bid her a hearty Godspeed."

DARJEELING. Miss Knowles' school at Queens Hill is gradually coming back to its former prestige and success. Miss McKinley has "proved herself a treasure," says Miss Knowles. Property costing $20,000 has been bought at Queens Hill with two good buildings on it.

ASANSOL. The work in Asansol is thriving under the skilful management of Mrs. Byers and her busy helpers. She is so happy in the return to health of her famine orphans that she "forgets the weary days and nights of care and nursing" that they have cost her. There are one hundred of these little waifs and nearly all have given their hearts to Jesus. There are eighty girls in the boarding school and Miss Forster is busy all day long in the school. She has made such good progress with the language that she can talk quite freely with her Bengali girls.

Miss Vernieux has thirty bright girls in the day school in the bazar for Hindu children and helps in dispensing medicine and also caring for the sick.

The bakery thrives with Miss Moore in charge and four famine girls help Ellen make bread and cakes.

There are one hundred inmates in the Leper Asylum who are busy making their compound gardens of flowers and vegetables.

The village Christians come in to Sunday service and carry back the message to their neighbors, yet many thousands in the district go through the year without one ray of gospel light. How long, oh Lord, how long shall these things be?

PAKUR. Miss Jacobson's absence in America has left the school girls in the care of Mrs. Meik, who reports marked improvement in individual girls and steady progress in all departments. Those who have been truly converted give proof of the same by their steadfast adherence to the truth, regardless of consequences, a trait of character not common among the Bengalese. A new building in which the missionary can live with the girls, is an imperative need.

Village Work. The fact that the Bible-woman lives in one of the villages among the women is a factor for great good, as she not only is there to instruct and advise, but her presence has a refining and uplifting influence upon the recent converts.

The Dispensary has been a great help in reaching those who would not otherwise come under Christian influences.

CHARLOTTE O'NEAL, *Official Correspondent.*

MALAYSIA CONFERENCE.

INCLUDING PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Organised as a Mission, 1887.
As a Mission Conference, 1893.

MISSIONARIES.

Singapore.
SOPHIA BLACKMORE,
MARY B. LILLY,
EDITH A. HEMINGWAY,
MARY A. CODY.

Penang.
CLARA MARTIN,
IDA ELLIS.

Kuala Lampur.
MRS. MARY MEEK,
R. LUELLA ANDERSON.

Manila.
MRS. CORNELIA C. MOOTS,
ANNA NORTON, M. D.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. MARY CARR CURTIS,
" H. M. E. LEURING,
" B. F. WEST,
MRS. G. F. PYKETT,
" J. R. DENZES,
" N. M. MCLAUGHLIN.

Fourteen years ago the W. F. M. S. entered Malaysia to win its women for Christ. To fittingly portray the success which has crowned their efforts, and the wondrous way in which the Lord has gone before, opening doors and multiplying the opportunities for spreading the blessed message of salvation, would require an angel's pen and time unlimited to ten minutes.

SINGAPORE. The work, providentially begun in this city—the key to the commerce of the eastern world—with one missionary in a small, borrowed room and one little Chinese girl, now embraces a Deaconess Home which during the year has had within its hospitable walls four missionaries, two assistants, a boarding school and a native girls' home with fifty inmates, two well-equipped day schools, a fine kindergarten, a large and increasing number of Sunday schools and several trained Bible-women.

The Home, known as the Mary C. Nind Deaconess Home, now nearly paid for, beautiful for situation, costing the Society $10,000, has doubled in value since its purchase.

A half mile away is our fine day school building, worth about $5,000, all paid for; built of stone and brick it will withstand the destructive tooth of time and white ants for many years to come. Here we have a thoroughly equipped and well organized day school, a fine kindergarten with seventy happy pupils and a class of Eurasian girls in training for kindergarten work.

Besides these, in the wealthy Chinese quarter, known as Teluk Ayer, Miss Hemmingway has conducted a day school which has steadily grown in power and influence and been the entering wedge to many homes.

After her vacation in America and Australia, Miss Blackmore returned to Singapore at New Years time and was most heartily welcomed by the workers there. Miss Jewell, while a "refugee" from China, had given valued assistance to the over-taxed missionaries in Miss Blackmore's absence. Besides the care of the Home with its more than eighty inmates, Miss Blackmore has assisted in Sunday school work and been abundant in labors in the evangelistic work. Her assistants in this have been Mrs. Pierce, Mrs. Jones, Miss Edith Norris, Tien Piet and a little Chinese woman. Of these she says: "Mrs. Jones is doing splendidly; Miss Norris is the same faithful worker. Last month through Miss Tien Piet's work, a woman and two daughters were baptized." Lately, with our Chinese preacher's, wife Miss B. visited some people recently come from Hing-Hua, and found a woman who had been a Christian for five years and was delighted to see her. With the assistance of Mrs. Denzes, a Bible-woman's training class has been organized. One of these women, speaking of her conversion eight years ago, said: "It seemed then as if a bright light came to me and it gets brighter all the time. Jesus is always with me." This woman was given a mite-box in Sunday school. She had already given liberally herself, and not knowing the principle of the mite-box, she took it to her heathen friends, told what Christ had done for her and asked them to help her show her gratitude, and in two weeks time she returned the box with more than $50.00 in it.

Miss Blackmore says the house we built for the native girls is full to overflowing, and she asks an appropriation for an addition to it which shall make it possible to isolate a girl sick with scarlet fever or other contagious disease, and also provide a room for the Bible-woman's training class.

Miss Lilly has carried the work of two women much of the year, superintending the large day school, the Home, and the street Sunday schools with one hundred pupils; yet the government inspector at the last examination records the large day school in a better condition than one year ago. Miss Lilly has been on the field nearly five years now, and must leave that tropical heat for the cool breezes of her native land. It is imperative that some one should be sent to take up the work in her absence.

Miss Cody reached Singapore from Manila one year ago and has won many friends to the kindergarten idea by the object lesson she has given. She has already begun training some young girls for this branch of work,

and when suddenly ordered recently to Taipeng to save our splendid property there, she had to leave these girls temporarily in charge.

Miss Hemmingway has sent no report to us, but from others we learn that she has been very busy as well as very successful in mastering the language and conducting her day school and her four Sunday schools.

PENANG. After repeated appeals for the W. F. M. S. to enter this promising field, with as many repeated refusals, the missionaries at Singapore pledged two-thirds of the support of a Deaconess for five years, and Miss Clara Martin was sent. In the four years since, she has learned the Malay language, has acquired a good command of the Chinese, has developed a day school with over seventy scholars, a boarding school of twenty bright girls, a promising kindergarten and has directed the evangelistic work. Impossible, do you say? So I should think, but I have the testimony of Dr. West, her presiding elder, to the truth of the statement. Her furlough comes next year and some one should be sent to take the work she carries. One year ago we sent Miss Ida Ellis to her assistance, who while studying the Malay, has conducted the day school and assisted in the Home and the Sunday school. Miss Ellis has been most happy in her work and expresses her gratitude for having been asked to go into a field so ready for the harvest. With all this splendid work at our hand we as yet own not one foot of property in Penang, and one rented house has served for a home for our missionaries, for a boarding school, a day school and a kindergarten. Twelve thousand dollars would suffice for the whole and is sorely needed at once, as even the rented house has to be given up this year.

Rescue Work. Mrs. Pykett, wife of one of the missionaries, in her evangelistic labors, became deeply impressed with the need of rescue work for girls. She began it by taking some into her own home and having the joy of seeing them thereby saved. The work grew, as does everything with life in it, and she now has nine girls in her care. Feeling the need of a permanent shelter for them she has been appealing for help to the Chinese about her and has collected $3,500, Mexican, and hopes to begin soon to build; but she still lacks $1,000 of the amount required. She closes her report with "May God speedily send us what we need and continue to bless and advance His work in Penang." This faithful worker has also gathered in nine homeless girls, as the beginning of an orphanage. Her pastor says: "Last week I organized a Malay church; had twenty-five present. This church had sprung out of a Saturday class of women, held at the Deaconess Home by Mrs. Pykett."

KUALA LUMPUR. The splendid success of our schools for girls has been noticed by other than interested Christians, and the Sultan of a native adjoining state decided to establish a school at his capital city;

after erecting fine buildings and trying the experiment awhile, he found he could not manage it and, sending for Bishop Thoburn two years ago, offered to give him the school and property, worth $15,000, and a yearly grant of money if he would promise to send two teachers to carry it on. Of course the Bishop accepted such a gift in the name of the W. F. M. S. and appealed to us, who, in turn, appealed to the Lord for the workers and the money to send them. You know how speedily the Lord answered, some of the money coming from most unexpected sources, and how two splendid missionaries, Mrs. Mary Meek and Miss Luella Anderson, were soon on their way.

Mrs. Meek has had marvelous success in the school, and during the past year, in the absence of the missionary of the General Society, has kept the Gospel light burning. Dr. Luering, on his return, says: "Mrs. Meek and Miss Anderson, together with the Tamil pastor, had bravely 'held the fort and welcomed me with as much ardor as Baden Powell welcomed the relieving forces at Mafeking." He adds, "An English Sunday school, with an attendance of nearly forty, has been held on Sunday in the Girls' School."

The government grant has been increased so as to provide the assistants needed by Mrs. Meek and thus release Miss Anderson to use her fine musical training in a self-supporting college of music. Dr. Luering on his return found a splendidly trained choir.

TAIPENG. Here is another girls' school started by the Sultan with no success, another splendid opening which came to us all unsought. Bishop Thoburn could not wait to communicate with our Society, but accepted the offer, and asked Mrs. Mary Carr Curtis, wife of one of the missionaries at Penang, to go and take the school and hold it until we could send some one for it. For two years now Mrs. Curtis has stood for us there, and developed one of the most important schools in Malaysia. The deed to a splendid property worth $20,000 is in our possession, depending upon our keeping not two, but just one, representative there. Nothing was given by the Society last year, and Mr. Curtis in his deep interest for the work, took a position under the government and supported his wife, at the same time teaching one class in the school. Now, completely broken in health, he has had to come home, and in order to hold the place for us till we could send a teacher, Miss Cody has left her kindergarten to those young girls and gone temporarily to Taipeng. *It is imperative that help be sent at once.*

LARUT HILLS. A little distance from Taipeng is a high elevation known as Larut Hills which is admirably suited for a sanitarium. Any of us who have to shut our homes and hie away to the mountains every summer can readily understand the need of this under the burning sun of

a year-round summer in the tropics. A temperature as low as 60° can be found there. The government has offered to give us the site, and friends there will raise $5,000, Mex., if we will give a like amount for what is meant to be a Sanitarium and Hill School combined. It means rest, refreshment, health, life itself to our weary workers in Malaysia. Shall we not do it?

IPOH. Woman's work has been carried on here during the year, a girls' school maintained and some Sunday school and evangelistic work done by Mrs. Luering and the Tamil pastor's wife. A missionary is needed for this place.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS. Our force in Manila has been depleted by the removal of Miss Cody to Singapore and Miss Wisner, returned to India, yet we can report most excellent work done.

Mrs. Moots, in her blessed work of ministering to the sick soldier-boys, writes: "How much I have lived this past year. How my heart goes out after our boys; sometimes it seems as though my heart would empty itself of its blood in the yearning agony of its cry, 'God save these American boys.'" To these weary, home-sick, fever-smitten, dying boys Mrs. Moot has been mother and ministering angel alike.

Dr. Norton, ably assisted by Mrs. McLaughlin, has been doing direct evangelistic work among the women. They have held 104 Sunday schools and Bible classes. The weekly attendance has ranged from forty to ninety, most of whom were women and children. The doctor's knowledge of Spanish has enabled her to reach many of the women, and 130 calls have been made in the homes, where tracts in Spanish and Tagalog have been distributed. An Epworth League has been organized among the native young people.

Mrs. McLaughlin writes: "Many a time has it been an inspiration to behold the beaming face of Henriquita, in whose house we hold services. She has not only given us the use of a fine room, but has so persisted in inviting friends and neighbors that the attendance has increased until now the room is often filled to overflowing, and there is in that one place a probationary membership of sixty-six. Henriquita says, 'Gracias á Dios,' thus never forgetting to ascribe the glory to God. The great need here is for trained evangelistic workers." Two Deaconesses wanted at once. Under date of August 2d, Dr. Stuntz, the presiding elder of the district, writes: "How we need workers! Last Sunday twenty-one women were baptized at one service and ten at another, and for them there is no teacher. At least four hundred women and girls have been gathered into the church and no one to train them. They do not know the Scriptures, though their eagerness to know them would make you cry to witness. We cannot train up the women leaders,

for the on-coming crowds are sure to flock to us. Superstition is bred into them. Fear of the curse of Priest or Friar rests like a nightmare upon many of them. We must have women to work among them. Day and night we are praying that God will thrust forth these laborers where there are the whitest of white fields among eight millions of people, and the most imperative calls for help."

C. S. WINCHELL, *Official Correspondent.*

CHINA.

FOOCHOW CONFERENCE.

Organized as a Conference 1877.

Woman's Work Commenced by Baltimore Ladies' China Missionary Society, 1858.

Women's Foreign Missionary Society Commenced Work 1871.

MISSIONARIES.

Foochow.

CARRIE I. JEWELL, JULIA A. BONAFIELD, LYDIA A. WILKINSON,
ELLEN LYON, M. D., HU KING ENG, M. D., FLORENCE PLUMB,
JEANNE ADAMS, PHEBE L. PARKINSON, PHEBE WELLS,
WILMA H. ROUSE, MRS. SUSAN TIPPETT, ADALINE GOETZ.
ANNA R. LEINBERGER.

Ming Chiang.

MAE E. CARLETON, M. D., ISABELLA LONGSTREET, MARY PETERS.

Ku Cheng.

MABEL C. HANFORD, ALICE LINAM.

Hok Chiang.

LYDIA A. TRIMBLE, MABEL ALLEN, LUELLA MASTERS, M. D.

FOOCHOW. Woman's Training School and Romanized School. Miss Jewell returned from Singapore and resumed charge of the schools Nov. 24. The enrollment for the year has been twenty-one in the Training School and sixteen in the Romanized School, while the appropriation was for the support of only fifteen in the former and ten in the latter. The additional pupils were cared for by contributions, Miss Jewell making mention of Mrs. Schlee (Consul Gracey's daughter), Dr. Carleton,

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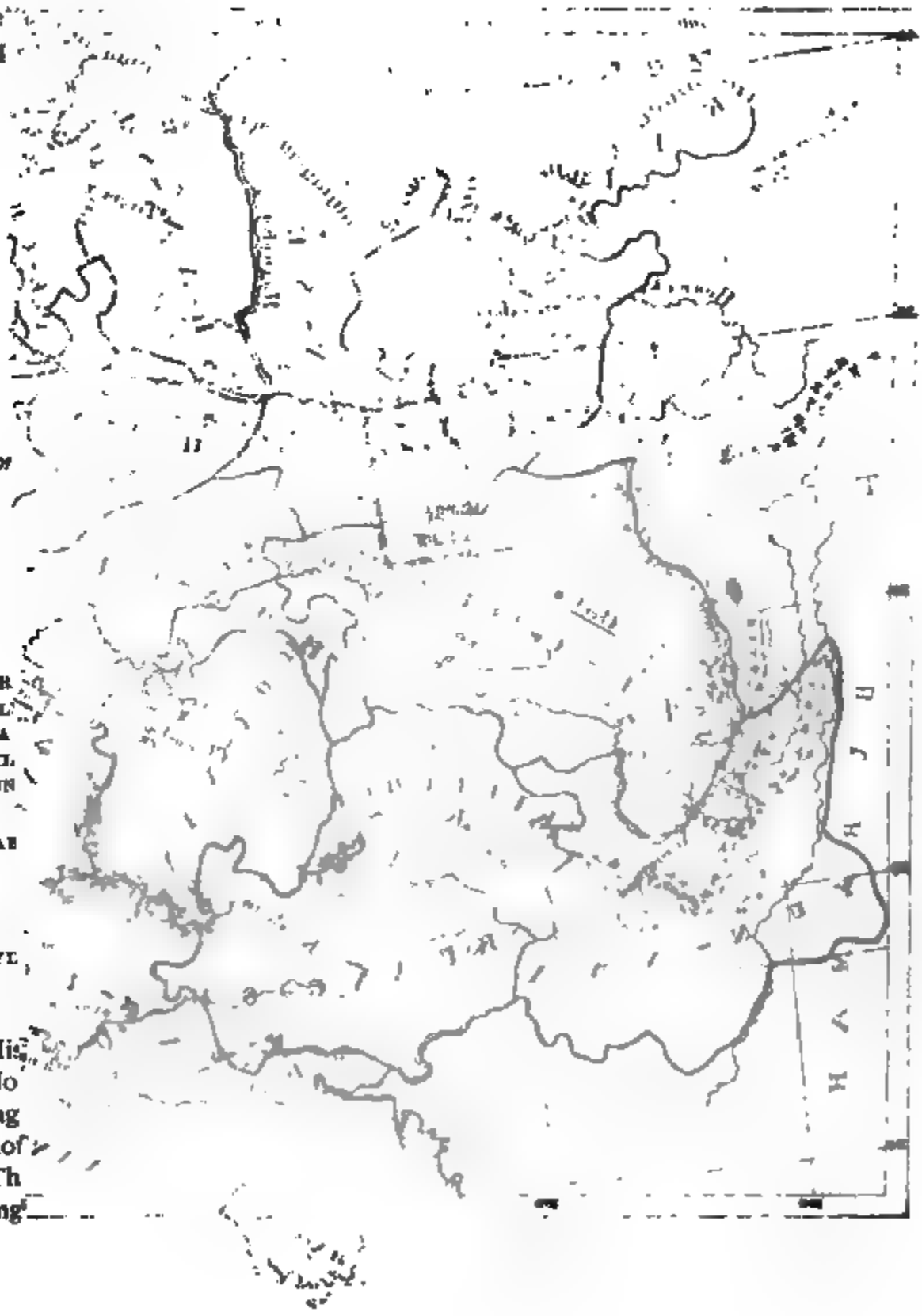

Mrs. Ahok and Dr. Wilcox. Two of the Training School pupils graduated in June and will take up work. Miss Jewell strongly advocates sustaining the women for the second term. Though it is possible for them to learn to read and write Romanized Chinese in one term, the second term does much to *establish* them in the Christian faith, as well as in their readings and writings. It is not easy to reconcile parents and friends, nor the women themselves, to the study of Romanized Chinese. They think it such a strange way to learn to read. But as they begin to comprehend the meaning of it, all faces brighten, and they continue steadily to improve. From the time of Miss Jewell's return in November till the 1st of June, it seemed to her that, but for the necessary change of matrons it was to be a quiet and uneventful year. But plague was on every side and interfered with work of Bible-women ; then valuable and beloved helpers died, notably Mr. Chai, a fine scholar, an earnest Christian, member and class-leader at Sien Liang Chapel, and an exceptionally fine teacher ; also Miss Jewell's Alice, secretary and general helper, who had been teacher in the Boarding School after her graduation, Dr. Lyon's interpreter at the hospital and day school teacher. Miss Jewell had charge of the District Bible-women until taken up by Miss Rouse, and did evangelistic work in the hospitals till the chair coolies refused to go through the city from fear of the plague.

Girls' Boarding School. Miss Wilkinson says "Never have I worked as hard as this year, just to keep the work afloat. So many of our ladies went home last year that we had to divide up our forces." When Miss Hartford was left alone to carry the work on three great districts—Ku-cheng, Ku-de and Iong-Bing, where such a large part of our work is located, there was nothing to do in justice to the work but to send Miss Bonafield—whose home furlough was overdue—to Miss Hartford. The old promise, "As thy day so shall thy strength be," has been verified. With the removal of the orphans into their cottage homes the primary schools were again put under the supervision of the boarding schools, and so the enrollment for the last term stands thus:—day pupils, 16; self-supporting boarders, 20; supported by special gifts, 4; supported by Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, 116. Total enrollment, 156. At close of the fall term eight graduated: the largest class in the history of the school. A still larger class will finish in the coming twelfth moon. The graduates make the most valuable helpers as kindergarten and primary teachers, and not a few as teachers in other boarding schools, a per cent., of course, as wives of young preachers.

Plague has been very severe in Foochow, and that has delayed opening school till October. For the same reason two of the city chapels were closed.

Seminary. School opened in September, 1900, with thirteen pupils, but before the end of the term three dropped out. During the first term two native teachers were employed. Mr. Sia Tieng helped the senior class with their translations four hours each week. He gave his help gratuitously, and considered it a pleasure.

Miss Elsie Wong, one of the students in the Seminary, was the other teacher. She studied in the morning and in the afternoon she helped the Junior class with their translations, and in various ways assisted Miss Parkinson. For some weeks before the close of the term a high-class Chinese lady came once a week and gave lessons in Chinese etiquette, in which they were sadly deficient. There has been marked spiritual growth in the girls. When the term opened there was only one girl who was a professing Christian, and she has since united with the church, and the change in her heart and life is apparent to all.

Miss Rouse, upon her return to China, was delighted to receive appointment to evangelistic work in Foochow city. She is located about three miles from the mission settlement on the island. The work which she thought might be slow, on account of the conservative spirit of the people, has proven a most delightful surprise. Invitations to homes, some of them to homes of officials, have been more than she could accept. Meetings for women are held in the Home; Sunday school is by the native pastor deemed so much more important than his afternoon service that he has abandoned it to help in the school. Miss Rouse has clinic every Wednesday. Dr. Hu comes to that, and while she is administering to diseased bodies Miss Rouse and her Bible-woman are caring for minds and souls.

Orphanage. Miss Bonafield and Miss Longstreet were by appointment put in charge of the Orphanage, but each of them has had much other work to do. The orphans have been removed to the cottage homes, and Mrs. Tippet has been installed mother of at least thirty bright, healthy, happy little girls. Miss Longstreet confesses to some heart-sickness after she had left them to be associated with Miss Glenk in work on Ming-Chiang District. Miss Glenk's work was the day schools on this district and on the Foochow District, Miss Longstreet taking the evangelistic. Miss Bonafield has extended a helping hand in many directions.

Industrial Work. Miss Jeanne Adams, who went to Foochow at her own expense and is self-supporting, is engaged in a most excellent work. She has seventy-five old widows employed in making bureau and buffet scarfs, handkerchiefs, etc. She pays them, if the work is satisfactory, $3 per month. She receives no woman who will not unbind her feet, learn Scripture texts, hymns and prayers. She needs the house she asks for if this helpful work is to be continued.

Medical Work. The Island Hospital having been closed for about three months, Dr. Lyon's report includes the work for only nine months. Few leave the hospital without having stored in memory, at least, much of God's Word. Twenty-seven have unbound their feet; 37 have become Christians; 3 have been baptized; 2,420 have been in attendance at the Hospital Sunday-school. Attendance at Hospital services has been 13,876. More and more are the patients not only willing but eager to learn. Statistics: Hospital in-patients, 674; dispensary patients, 5,700; seen at visits in homes, 1,000.

WOOLSTON MEMORIAL, OR CITY HOSPITAL, Dr. Hu King Eng in charge. The prevalence and the extraordinary fatality of the plague made it necessary for Dr. Hu King Eng to close the Hospital one month earlier than usual. Plague patients were constantly sent there, thereby endangering not only the lives of the in-patients, but the lives of those in the waiting room. Doctor received five new students in the Chinese New Year. All were Christians, and four of them were graduates from the Boarding School. Ten new tablets, showing appreciation of the work done in the Hospital, have been presented to it this year. Dr. Hu's report fairly glows with incidents of conversions and happy deaths. These are her statistics: Hospital in-patients, 866; dispensary patients, 11,838; patients seen at homes, 1,188; patients seen at Sieng-hua-huong Dispensary, 192; patients seen at Spanish Foundling Home, 211; total patients seen, 14,295; number who unbound their feet, 22; joined Church in full connection, 6; joined Church on probation, 44; attendants at religious services, 10,422; total number of hearers, 27,597.

HOK-CHIANG. *Medical Work.* Dr. Masters says: "The plague is very bad in this section, and the natives are as much afraid of it as they were of the Boxers last year." She never refuses to go when called to a plague patient, and says when called in the first stage of the disease, she is usually able to save life. She kept the Hospital open all the time and refused none that she could accommodate. It was a golden opportunity to get into the hearts of the people. These are her statistics for thirteen months: Number of ward patients, 591; number of dispensary patients, 6,175; patients treated at office, 116; visits in homes and school, 183; total number of patients, 7,282; number in attendance at religious services, 4,020; ward patients who have unbound their feet, 19; number who have joined Church, 30; attendance at Sunday school, 973.

Ming-Chiang medical work was closed by Dr. Carleton's return to America.

KU-CHENG. Miss Hartford opened the Girls and Women's School, Oct. 25, 1900, but did not open the Romanized School, as she could not give it proper attention. Some of the day school teachers were invited

in to study one month, and so be better prepared for examination at District Conference. Over twenty teachers and about the same number of Bible-women came to the Conference, and it was a blessed meeting.

In the spring Miss Hartford made two trips in Ku-Cheng and one in Iong-Bing District. She was from home thirty-three days and examined twenty-five day schools, finding the great majority of them satisfactory. The Woman's Training School opened with twenty at Conference time. Three finished their course and went out to be teachers or Bible-women. From Jan. 20 till March Miss Hartford remained in Foochow by order of the Bishop, and was then allowed to return to Ku-Cheng, Miss Bonafield accompanying her. They divided between them the work on Ku-Cheng and Ku-De Districts.

IONG-BING DISTRICT. The Boarding School in the city was closed during the Boxer disturbance, as the excitement was intense. There are two large day schools and four small ones in the district doing fine work. Three Bible-women have faithfully been preaching the Word, even when threatened with death.

Before this date Miss Hartford has undoubtedly removed to Iong-Bing, and Dr. Carleton has resumed her practice at Ming-Chiang.

E. B. STEVENS, *Official Correspondent.*

HING-HUA CONFERENCE.

Organized as a Conference 1896.

MISSIONARIES.

Hing-Hua.	*Sieng-Iu,*	*Ing Chung.*
*MINNIE E. WILSON,	MARTHA LEBEUS,	ALTHEA M. TODD,
ELIZABETH W. VARNEY,	MARTHA NICOLAISEN.	JESSIE A. MARRIOTT.
ADALINE GOETZ.		

*Home on leave.

The work in Hing-Hua Conference has been carried still another year by a few overburdened workers, vainly striving to meet the demands pressing on every hand.

During the disturbance of the preceding year the native Christians of this province, through flying rumors and threatened death, remained steadfast in the performance of their religious duties. Our missionaries

were absent from their stations but a few weeks, and that only at the command of civil and church authorities.

Soon after their return Bishop Moore visited the region. Noting the small force of workers for the great territory, he expressed his judgment, according with that of the missionaries there, that the remote district of Ing Chung should be transferred to the care of the English Presbyterians, occupying an adjoining field. This, however, was not so easily disposed of. When the native Christians learned of the proposition they refused to be given away. They affirmed that having been born anew as Methodists, Methodists they would remain. If the mother Church could not provide for them they would set up for themselves. The women sent a message to Miss Todd, their lone helper for years, then on furlough in America, that they could neither eat nor sleep for sorrow lest they should see her face no more.

In view of these protests the proposed transfer was not accomplished, and the General Society, as well as our own, will again occupy this district.

Miss Todd set out on her return in September, accompanied by Miss Marriott. There is now need of a home for these workers and a building for the girls' school and the Bible-women in training.

Miss Lebeus and Miss Nicolaisen, old-time friends, are very happy together in their work in Sieng-Iu, the former having charge of the Bible training and evangelistic work. Miss Nicolaisen, in addition to the study of the language, in which she is making fine progress, has opened the long desired girls' school in the Isabel Hart Memorial building. A few girls have come over from Ing Chung to this school while their own has been closed.

At this station, also, a home is needed for the missionaries. Miss Lebeus and Miss Nicolaisen are occupying one small room in common in the Woman's Training School. To understand the full significance of this one must consider the fact that numbers of these women are mothers with their little ones about them, which precludes quiet for the tired missionaries.

At Hing-Hua city the missionaries welcomed Miss Goetz early in the year and lost no time in putting her at work in the re-opened Bible Training School, which had been closed for want of a teacher. Twenty-six women are studying here to meet the great demand for Bible readers.

Miss Varney should have help in the Hamilton Girls' School. She reports a steady growth of character and obedience among the girls. Industrial work, such as cloth and tape weaving and stocking knitting, is carried on. The girls also do all their cooking and kitchen work.

Miss Wilson assisted in the school this year, besides looking after eighteen day schools and doing evangelistic work. It was her determination to remain until reinforcements should come, but she was finally compelled to return home on health leave without the desired substitute, thus leaving a vacancy which must be filled soon to save great loss to the work.

Four new missionaries and a hospital are greatly needed for this important and most promising field.

MRS. A. N. FISHER, *Official Correspondent.*

NORTH CHINA.

Woman's Work Organized in 1871.

Conference Organized in 1893.

MISSIONARIES.

Tientsin.

RACHEL R. BENN, M. D., MIRANDA CROUCHER, ELLA E. GLOVER, IDA M. STEVENSON, M. D.

Peking.

*MRS. C. M. JEWELL, EFFIE G. YOUNG, *ANNA E. STEERE,
*ANNA GLOSS, M. D., *GERTRUDE GILMAN, EMMA MARTIN, M. D.,
*MARY E. SHOCKLEY, ELIZABETH MARTIN, *EDNA G. TERRY, M. D.

*Home on leave.

Our work in North China was entirely broken up at the close of the Annual Conference in June, 1900.

When the storm of fury burst the conference was convening in Peking. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society missionaries in Tsun Hua and a Chinese teacher, who had long been a "stand-by" in the Boarding School, had gone to conference, but said notwithstanding the dangers she must return to Tsun Hua, because four orphans were left in her charge for the summer. She, with another native teacher, "counted not their lives dear unto themselves," and gave them up resolutely for Jesus' sake, under the cruelest torture.

Miss Croucher went from conference to Tientsin on the last train before the railroad was destroyed, and so made her escape out of the country after the fall of that city in July. Dr. Terry remained in Peking to transact necessary business with the treasurer, intending to go to Tientsin on the next train. This resulted in her being in the siege in Peking and in the heart-rending reports of her massacre.

So far as we can learn none of the school girls were killed, but it is aid that many of them in order to save their lives were betrothed by ıeir perplexed parents into heathen families. All the buildings, including he beautiful "Alderman Memorial," which was nearing completion, ere utterly demolished. A recent letter from the native pastor's ife says the native Christians of Tsun Hua lost about $40,000 worth of roperty and 162 persons were killed, herself and husband having been rotected by a man who had previously known them.

The Tientsin siege was short and sharp. The school girls had gone ome. The section in which they lived did not suffer as severe loss of ife as most other places. I think none of these girls lost their lives.

After the arrival of the allies our premises were given up to the army or headquarters and hospital, but were returned in the spring. A large ıumber of our Christian refugees passed the winter here. Among them ne of the former Peking pupils with her four little children, left fatherless y the Boxers. Her fifth child, a baby, she was forced to leave by the oadside when fleeing for their lives, because too exhausted to take them ıll any further.

After the fall of Tientsin the foreign women, with two or three exceptions, were ordered to leave the settlement.

Dr. Benn was permitted, in connection with Dr. Stevenson, to look after the medical work. Others went to Japan, and Misses Shockley and Croucher to the United States; Misses Wilson and Gloss returned to China in the fall. Mrs. Jewell writes:

"Shan Tung was spared to some extent the awful atrocities of some of the adjoining provinces; through the stand taken by the governor of that province our buildings were not destroyed at this station.

When we thought we saw the storm gathering about Peking, we planned to get the girls of the school to their homes before the break should come, but the destruction of the railroad cut off this possibility for the most of them. But this impossibility proved to be their safety. Ten of the girls who did get home by private conveyance were massacred! One, a bright little girl of eleven years, who was in the siege, but in the care of her parents, was wounded by a shell, and before assistance came she bled to death. Another of nineteen years died from the nervous strain of the summer.

Two weeks before quitting our mission premises I had too much on my hands to admit of any heart-to-heart talks with the girls. I was glad I had had so many of them before. I think I shall never forget the message they sent me one morning by one of their number. "We see how tired and worried you are, and we know it is about us. We want to tell

you that we are all praying and are peaceful. If it is God's will to spare our lives, we shall be very glad, but if we must die it will be all right."

Neither shall I forget their reply when I suggested that in case we were broken in upon they try to lose themselves in the crowd and so escape. They said, "Where can we go? The Boxers are everywhere. We will not try to go anywhere, but will stay here and go to Heaven together." There are other vivid scenes. Our company of 656 persons, native Christians and missionaries, men, women and children, making our way from the Methodist mission to the legation under the awful peril that hung over us that morning, this *company all in perfect order—all quiet!*

The first night within the Legation lines, as I was leaving the girls to go to my quarters before the way should be cut off, firing had begun, and this whole company of girls, to escape passing bullets, were prostrate on the floor of Prince Su's audience hall, and a low murmur of prayer was going up all over the room—then the marks of exhaustion on their faces when we moved them into other quarters after the Su palace had been burned.

There were never more willing hands than theirs, all summer, for any task in their power. They made and mended clothing, washed, did their full share of sand bags, and even helped to tear down old buildings and carry bricks for fortifications.

A rich Chinese lived near the British legation. He hastily vacated when the trouble broke out, leaving his things behind him and, after the Su palace was burned, the girls occupied his house. Soon after the allies arrived this man came back to get some of his goods. Of his own free will he gave enough of them to the girls to nearly clothe them for the winter. Not bad, was it? and not a Christian.

After having been in the British Legation just two months, we moved into what had been Boxers' headquarters for the summer. It was close work for a few days to find food and living conditions. That was just accomplished when I came down with fever and for two weeks, in a delirium, fought over the battles of the summer. Miss Gilman, who had been working incessantly on "Food Committee," now had to shoulder my burden, and, as usual, she proved quite equal to the situation. I started, as soon as able, for the United States in November, and Miss Glover came to work with Miss Gilman. Our school books were all gone. Some were gotten from Shanghai, and the whole school had to be refitted with winter clothing. Besides this, the girls made about 150 mattresses for the English army. The poor girls were too exhausted to do more than three-fourths their usual amount of study because of scarcity of books and lack of accommodations. The school must remain in Tientsin until the premises can be rebuilt in Pekin.

The beautiful Sleeper Davis Memorial hospital has gone, but we venture the prophecy that it will live again. When we were fortifying the Mission premises during the last days we were there, we had to send dispensary patients out of the hospital in order to barricade the doors. Dr. Gloss had a hard summer. She added to her medical duties all sorts of good works, such as kindergarten, charity sewing-class, being good to our neighbors in the new locality. None of the Bible-women were killed, but one of their most faithful ones lost her son with his family, victims of the Boxers. However, she faithfully began her work again in the fall as soon as conditions permitted.

The year has been a very trying one to old Mrs. Wang. The son who years ago wheeled his mother 300 miles to learn the story of "Jesus and His love" was mortally wounded at the siege of Peking, and went to sleep, praying, "Lord, receive my spirit." The old mother in Shan Tung, true to her faith, would not, when ordered to do so, take down the "Jesus sign" from over her door, but declared that she would stand or fall with it.

The Day Schools in Tartar City, Peking and one in Tientsin are the ones that have been in session during the year. Miss Croucher left Boston for Tientsin Oct. 2nd.

This has been a memorable year for China—for the world. It will be remembered in history as the year that *old* China was in her death throes. The present year is beginning to see the signs of a new birth. She is becoming aware that she *must* doff her musty garments of antiquity for modern ones, and join in the march of progress. It rests with the church of Jesus Christ to temper and permeate this movement with Christianity, which alone can be the salt and savor of that great people. We must make broader plans than ever for the new China. In a recent letter, Dr. Gamewell says: "I think the ladies ought to begin to get ready to re-establish the Peking work. I thought last winter it was best to await developments. With the latest information from China, I think we should do our utmost now to anticipate the demands of the near future. Indeed, I think the most serious problem is how to meet these demands."

L. A. ALDERMAN, *Official Correspondent.*

CENTRAL CHINA.

Woman's Work Organized in Kiukiang, 1874.
Woman's Work Organized in Chinkiang, 1884.
Woman's Work Organized in Nanking, 1887.

MISSIONARIES.

Chinkiang.

LUCY H. HOAG, M. D. LAURA M. WHITE, MARY C. ROBINSON.
GERTRUDE TAFT, M. D.

Kiukiang.

CLARA E. MERRILL, GERTRUDE HOWE, KATE L. OGBORN,
IDA KHAN, M. D., MARY STONE, M. D., CARRIE DREIBELBEIS.

Nanking.

*ELLA C. SHAW, MRS. A. C. DAVIS, SARAH PETERS,
MARY L. ROWLEY.

Wu Hu.

EMMA MITCHELL.

*Home on leave.

CHINKIANG. Dr. Lucy Hoag writes: "How I wish I could te you of the present blessings in Chinkiang; not those only seen by the ey of faith, but those we are now experiencing, and much of this good ha come since our return last winter to this station. The women are friendl and gladly listen to the preaching of the good news, and we have mos interesting meetings which last over an hour, the women listening attentively or asking questions. The girls, who have finished their studies in school, are our valuable Bible teachers."

Miss Robinson returned from Shanghai to Chinkiang early in the year. In regard to the stay of the girls in that city, she says: "This bit of city life was an education in itself to our rural-bred girls. There were the fine horses and gay carriages to see, the wonderful 'self-coming water,' and 'self-coming fire' conveniences to use, the rickshas to ride in, the trip on the 'iron road,' the parades and drills of soldiers of all nationalities to witness, while the shops, clean streets, parks and museums each had its awakening effect on their understandings. But the cause of all this and their preservation from the horrors suffered by their school-fellows in the North have put a new meaning in life and have enabled them to catch the purpose of it and to give themselves more fully up to God. They have adopted the motto of the W. F. M. S. Calendar—'*Saved for Service.*'"

KIU KIANG. Dr. Mary Stone writes: "Our new hospital, the Elizabeth Skelton Danforth Memorial Hospital, is a comfort and a constant inspiration to us in our work. We were indeed grateful, after half a year's enforced exile to come home and find it intact and ready for use. The Empress Dowager certainly did just the opposite thing to that which she desired. Although China is still unsettled, and the reform movement cannot have its proper public support, still there is a strong under-current of thought and reform so that one cannot remain unconscious of it. Everywhere the people are awakening and seeking after truth and enlightenment. The patients in our hospital are more eager to hear and learn about Jesus.. During six months there have been 3,679 dispensary patients, 59 hospital patients, and 4,114 visits made to patients' houses."

Dr. Ida Kahn writes in regard to the new hospital : " It is now a pleasure to see the little crowds of women and children sitting comfortably in the easy seats of the dispensary waiting room and notice how they enjoy listening to the talks of the Bible-women. In former years they were always huddled together in a dark room, or else were scattered here and there in our front yard, and the Bible-woman had great difficulty to get them to listen quietly. The new drug room, too, is a constant delight. The operating room, too, is our pride, because it is so light. The confidence which people had in our work before the last year's trouble broke out, appears to revive again, slowly but surely.

There has been a great flood this year all along the Yang-tze, but especially in this province and thousands of the people have been rendered homeless. Many of them sick, and many wish to be admitted into the hospital, but, alas! we cannot take them in, much as we would like to do so."

WEST CHINA.

Woman's Work Commenced 1882.
Discontinued 1885.
Re-opened, 1894.

MISSIONARIES.

Chung King.

CLARA COLLIER, ELLA MANNING, AGNES EDMONDS, M. D.
H. MIRIAM DECKER, HELEN GALLOWAY, CHRISTINA WILLIAMS.

When the report for West China was presented one year ago, our mission there was closed, and the missionaries who had been placed in charge of that work, with the exception of Dr. Ketring had been sent to Japan. Dr. Ketring has unexpectedly been compelled to return to America.

As matters finally turned out, that mission could have continued its operations without any interruption, as there were no disturbances of any kind in that locality. As it was, the suspension of work was not of long duration. The church services were discontinued only for one or two Sundays and the street chapel and day school only for a few weeks. The Bible-women continued their work uninterruptedly.

The girls who were being cared for in the boarding school were either sent to their own homes, or were provided for in the homes of the resident citizens. The mission property received not the slightest damage during the absence of the missionaries, except for some petty thieving which might have occurred at any time. When these depredations were discovered, the house was officially sealed and a guard was stationed at the gateway.

The months that were spent by the missionaries in Nagasaki were by no means idled away. Much of the time was spent in needed study, and Miss Decker taught two classes in English in the school each day.

In February, the missionaries went to Shanghai so as to be able to avail themselves of the first opportunity to go up the river to their proper station, the consul having at that time given permission to all foreigners to return to their work. They left Shanghai in March, and safely accomplished the perilous journey up the river, arriving at Chung King in April. The building was put in order as promptly as possible, and the affairs of the school were soon in running order. In the meantime, and during the absence of the missionaries, two of the former pupils had died and two

others had been married. At present there are twenty-seven girls in the school, their ages ranging from six to eighteen years. Miss Decker has become sufficiently familiar with the Chinese language to enable her to conduct some of the classes, and is of course constantly becoming more and more proficient in this respect.

Miss Collier was not at that time permitted to return to her work at Chentu in the interior, and she has been able to render Miss Decker very valuable assistance.

The school for women which was opened by Miss Manning soon after her return, is well attended. The women who come there for instruction apply themselves to their work with much earnestness and perseverance. Some of them are more than forty years of age and have never had the slightest literary training or mental discipline. Nevertheless they patiently work at their tasks, repeating again and again the sentences which have been explained to them, pointing out the different characters which they have come to know, and seeming to vie with each other in trying to be heard above the din of their own voices.

Miss Manning has a class meeting of which sixteen native women are members. With two exceptions, these women are also members of the church. She has enlisted the services of one of the Bible-women to assist in conducting her class meetings. She further says, that she "has a Sunday school class made up of twenty-five of the cleverest and dirtiest little boys that one ever saw."

The William A. Gamble Hospital is approaching completion, and will doubtless be ready for the newly appointed doctor on her arrival. Ever since Dr. Ketring's return to this country, our attention has been called to the urgent need of another physician to take up this work. Careful and prayerful inquiry was made for some one who was qualified and who was willing to serve the Master in the medical mission work at Chung King.

We were all convinced that somewhere among the earnest Christian workers, who are interested in the cause of foreign missions, there could be found some faithful disciple who would accept service in this destitute field. It was the privilege of Miss Galloway to discover and secure not only the greatly needed physician, but also a trained nurse for her assistant. Dr. Agnes Edmonds of Missouri and Miss Christie Williams of Minnesota, have responded to the call for medical mission work in West China. Dr. Edmonds' acceptance of this position involves a sacrifice not only of the comforts and enjoyments of a pleasant home and fine social position, but also the surrender of an established practice and an honorable position on the medical staff of St. Luke's Hospital in Brookfield,

Missouri. We congratulate ourselves on securing such competent service and gladly welcome Dr. Edmonds to a success which we are confident awaits her coming.

The time is propitious for extending and strengthening our work in West China, if the resources of the Society will enable this to be done. The native people are earnestly asking that foreign teachers be sent to them. Students from the Chinese schools are anxiously seeking admission to our schools, and in order to accommodate as many of them as possible, night schools are being opened, where, in addition to the ordinary curriculum, instruction in English and in the Bible, is provided. In two cities, where this kind of work has been undertaken by the General Society, request has been made for a missionary to instruct the women. This request could not be complied with, as there was no missionary who could be assigned to that work, but three Bible-women were employed for that mission, and they are rendering most excellent and efficient service. They make satisfactory expounders of the Gospel truth, and in some sort take the place of regular preachers. Other women are being trained for service in this important field.

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Never since the opening of the West China mission, have the conditions and outlook for the success of our work borne the hopeful aspect that they do to-day. What shall we do? What can we do to promote its evangelization? If we had the money and the missionaries which are needed, it appears that this great Chinese province could be occupied almost at once, and that the native people would eagerly accept the teachings of the Gospel. The situation demands our most earnest and thoughtful consideration, and as far as is found to be practicable, laborers ought to be sent to occupy this field.

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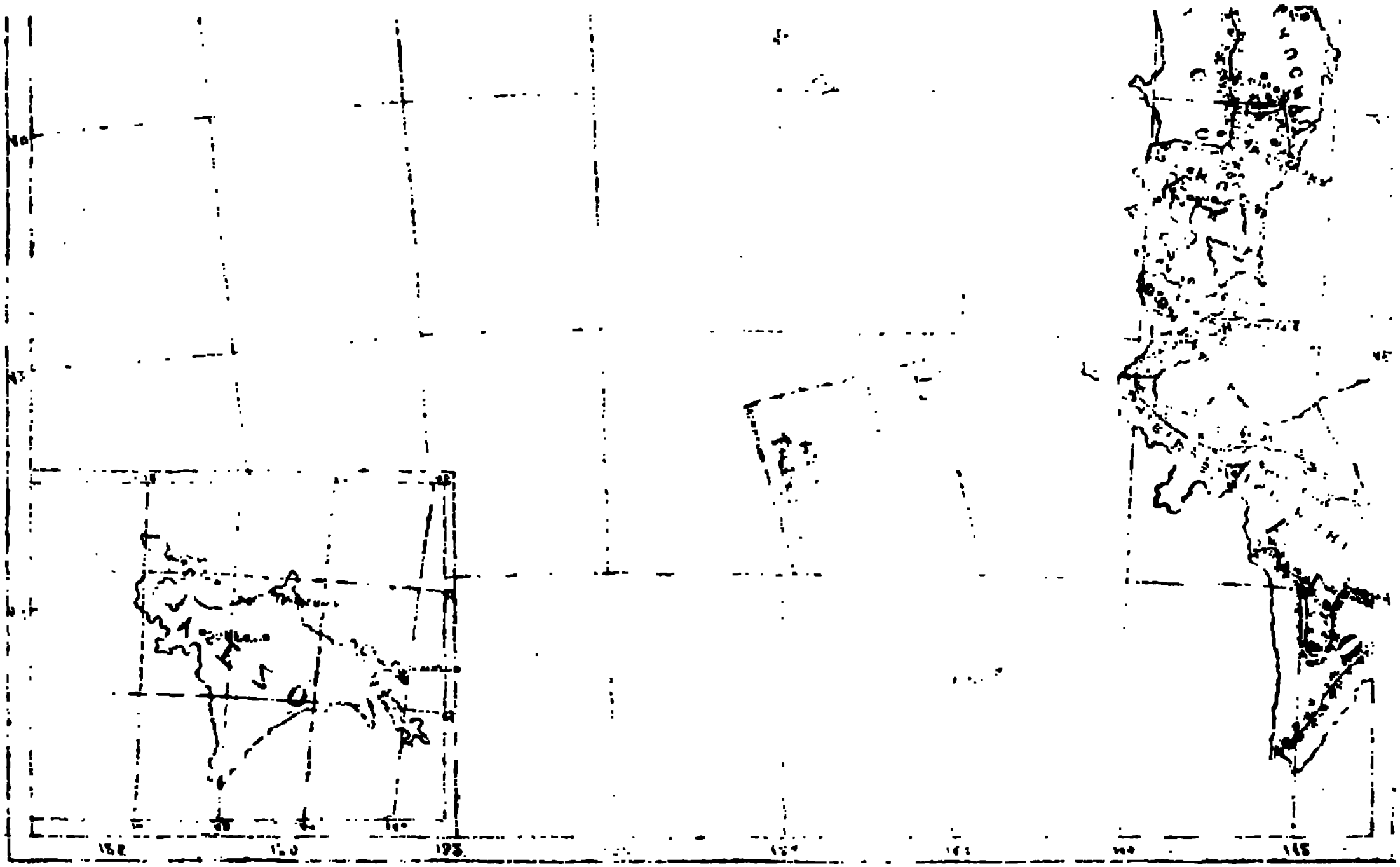


JAPAN.

Woman's Work Commenced, 1874.
Organised as a Conference, 1884.

CENTRAL JAPAN.

MISSIONARIES.

Tokyo.
MISS M. A. SPENCER,
*MISS REBECCA WATSON,
MISS ELLA BLACKSTOCK,
*MISS H. S. ALLING,
MISS F. G. WILSON,
MISS N. M. DANIEL,
MISS E. HOLBROOK.

Nagoya.
MISS A. ATKINSON,
MISS E. A. BENDER.

Sendai.
MISS F. G. PHELPS,
MISS C. A. HEATON.

Yokohama.
MRS. C. VAN PETTEN,
MISS G. BAUCUS,
*MISS C. H. SPENCER,
MISS A. G. LEWIS.

*Home on leave.

The reports from Japan of the last Christmas time in the schools of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society were full of the spirit of revival that was beginning to show itself in the country, as the arbutus and anemone of the earliest spring, prove that the sun has penetrated the underground darkness and is stirring the latent forces into life. As the slopes turned towards the sun develop the first signs of plant life that soon will spread over the whole land, so in the favoring warmth of our Christian schools the spiritual harvest first bursts forth.

The most blessed time of the whole year at Aoyama was the Sunday night before Christmas, when at a simple school prayer-meeting twelve girls gave their hearts to the Lord as a Christmas gift. A few days before Christmas, at the dedication of the new school building at Nagoya, twenty-six of the pupils publicly dedicated themselves to Christ, eight of whom united with the Church at that time. The following spring the revival spirit broke forth in many places. Evangelistic services held in Tokyo resulted in the gathering of hundreds to the faith of Jesus. Five thousand inquirers were reported in this city alone, and this spirit of turning to God has spread throughout the empire, wherever Christian missionaries had prepared the ground and sown the seed of Gospel truth. After years of consecrated, patient labor, the field seems suddenly to become white unto the harvest. Does prayer often seem

"Unanswered yet? Nay, do not say ungranted;
Perhaps your part is not yet wholly done.
The work began when first your prayer was uttered,
And God will finish what he has begun.
If you will keep the incense burning brightly there,
His glory you shall see some time—somewhere."

We have looked forward with great interest to the completion of the school buildings at Nagoya. This school was first opened in October 1888, by the Misses Wilson, who gave up a projected plan of travel to take the charge. Miss Danforth, who has so emphasized this particular work, reached Nagoya some little time later. A large native house had been secured, but the rapid growth of the school and its inconveniences led to the request for a new building. Ten years was this patiently waited for before the consummation was reached. The dedication was a time of rejoicing. Many useful gifts were received. The furniture for the chapel platform was given by former graduates; two handsome vases made for the Columbian Exposition were presented by the teachers, and flags, flowers, awnings, etc., were sent by pupils and citizens. There are no free scholarships in this school, the native girls paying for their tuition. The Christian influences, however, reach the day scholars, and many of this class, so difficult to become permanently endued with the precepts of the New Testament, have become Christians.

One of the most interesting features of the year in Aoyama has been the school-girls' prayer meeting, commenced voluntarily in the Week of Prayer, and continued entirely among themselves. A number who had grown careless have been greatly blessed at these meetings, and they have sent hundreds of tracts to their friends and relatives. The children's letters draw upon the heart-strings of the parents, and in many instances they, too, have become Christians. All the results, however, are not always so happy. In one instance, where the father was solicited to give up drink, the girl was refused all further support because of what he called "unfilial conduct." In another a severe reprimand was received for daring to send "Jesus literature" to her parents. It is not always easy for a girl, even in Japan, with its rapidly advancing civilization, to lead a Christian life.

Ten years ago the Industrial School now under the care of Miss Blackstock, was started with one pupil in the teacher's study. It has now a commodious building of its own that has become too crowded for comfort, and has graduated thirty-six young women with five years' course of preparation, nearly all of whom are teachers. No girl is admitted under fourteen years of age, and the aim of the school is to teach young women dignified and useful ways of self-support. Four Industrial Schools are in

operation in Central Japan, but the one at Aoyama is the largest and best equipped.

The day schools in Tokyo, superintended by Mrs. Chappelle of the General Society, are situated in the most neglected parts of the city, with their earnest Christian teachers are lights shining in darkness that bring the light of Truth to many.

Miss Clarissa Spencer was appointed to the evangelistic work in this district, but being called to supply the place of superintendent of the Training School at Yokohama during Mrs. Van Petten's absence, the work has been largely done by Miss Furuta and the Bible-women. The evangelistic work in the churches of Tokyo are under the supervision of Miss Vail and Mrs. Worden of the General Society. One mother was brought to the meetings and soon converted by letters from a son who had found the Lord in America ; others say they find rest from weariness and get near to God in the woman's meetings. The women have been giving an hour a day to work for the church, and have realized quite a sum of money towards the expenses.

Miss Atkinson with a very inadequate force of native Bible-women has looked after Shinano District. We find here the name of our old friend, Mrs. Takami, a devoted helper, formerly of Hakodate. This is a large district and many more Bible-women are needed to carry on the work.

Miss Phelps at Sendai has a school for those who acknowledge they can not afford to pay the prices at the Government School. Various industries are taught and the girls have given a half hour each day and some of their holidays in doing work which would help support the school. Miss Phelps has also carried on the correspondence of the district evangelistic work, and in some places the visits of the Bible-women have greatly strengthened and increased the church. The ladies belonging to the General Society in Sendai have helped the cause by holding Gospel and Mothers' meetings, and thus been a great help in increasing the religious influence in the city.

In Yokohama the principal efforts of our Society have been put into a women's training school and day schools. Miss Spencer writes of the blessing received through the visit of some of our missionaries from China during the time of the great trouble in that country. The pupils after these had returned to China desired to share their Christmas treat with the girls in Peking, who were most grateful for the kind remembrance. Miss Spencer speaks of the blessed results of the annual Bible-women's Convention held in the fall and of a series of holiness meetings conducted by the Rev. Barclay Buxton of the Church Missionary Society, and adds, "Perhaps the greatest help has come from the daily study of God's

Word," the various meetings for prayer and testimony held in the school, and above all, from the private prayer life of the girls themselves. Twenty-four young women have in the last year been receiving training as Bible-women and evangelistic workers in this school.

The day schools and Bible work, under the care of Miss Amy Lewis, have had the most successful year of their history. One of the schools is supported entirely by the gifts of a native woman. The cooking classes have proved very attractive, and the industrial school has been self-supporting. Miss Lewis writes that a surprise came to her in the offer of a subsidy from the government to the school at Yamabuchico.

The letters received from Bishop Moore, concerning our work in Japan, are most encouraging and commendatory of the work already existing. He says: "You have a noble band of workers. Let me speak of the schools in Japan Conference. They are well distributed and are doing excellently. Miss Bender's school in Nagoya would be a credit to any country. Of course, you will see that she is not broken by that debt; forget Branch lines and make common cause for its extinction. Amy Lewis is a prodigiously successful worker, and is making her industrial school in Yokohama an almost success. There is only praise for Miss Clarissa Spencer's work in the School of the Prophets." He recommends, however, the removal of this institution to Aoyama for economical reasons.

The report of our Japanese Woman's Paper, the *Tokiwa*, says it has a place to fill in the hearts and homes of Japan, and that it is steadily improving. It has contributors from among the Japanese, and the subscription list increases slowly, but it will be many years before it will be self-supporting. An endowment of $5,000 is asked for. There are published sets of Sunday School chain cards, which have become very popular and are given out to 5,000 children every Sunday. An Easter booklet has also been published, and translations of two of Mrs. Gatty's "Parables from Nature." The editor writes in a hopeful spirit, though confessing to some dark days, but perseverance, patience and hope are gaining the victory.

The needs of the Japan work, as forwarded to us, are, eight more missionaries to devote themselves exclusively to evangelistic work; money to pay the debt on the school building at Nagoya; money to finish the school building at Aoyama, and a gymnasium to be built and equipped at the same school, which also wants an endowment of $25,000, additional land and buildings at Hakodate, and $5,000 endowment for the *Tokiwa*. Many of these we cannot grant, and perhaps some of them had better wait until the Japanese themselves can furnish them, but that they should be felt, proves how the Lord has prospered our work in this Empire.

S. L. KEEN, *Official Correspondent.*

NORTHERN JAPAN.

Woman's Work Commenced in Hakodate. 1870.
In Hirosaki, 1887; in Sapporo, 1900.

MISSIONARIES.

Hakodate.

*AUGUSTA DICKERSON, MINNIE S. HAMPTON, FLORENCE SINGER.

Hirosaki.

ELLA HEWETT, ADA SOUTHARD.

Sapporo.

*ANNA V. BING, LOUISA IMHOF.

*Home on leave.

Bishop Moore says: "Far away beyond any other section of Japan Conference the Hokkaido offers the best chance for successful work. It is the 'New West of Japan.' Immigrants are pouring in. We should be omnipresent, and 'grow up with the country.'"

He also pronounces our Caroline Wright Memorial School, of Hakodate, "a tower of strength." Five young women were graduated from the school this year. The enrollment was 133, including twenty-four in the kindergarten. Over forty of these were new pupils, mostly from good homes in Hakodate and all very bright and studious.

Unusual difficulties have been met through the loss of several good native teachers who were attracted to other positions by higher compensation. This for a time left some of the classes with insufficient instruction, and opened the way for temptation to light and trashy reading, which threatens the young in Japan as in our own land. Miss Dickerson, in reporting the conflict which followed this discovery, says: "It was a hand to hand conflict; inch by inch the ground was won; one by one the captives were led back to the right path. One gracious promise illuminated the darkest hour,—'When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him.' Thus the battle was the Lord's, and He gave us the victory. The novels have gone; some were burned; others returned to their owners living outside the school, and a new standard is indeed lifted up. More time spent in private prayer, more searching of the Scriptures, more readiness in testimony, more earnestness in the weekly prayer meeting, these are the signs that the Lord, Himself, has come into the 'swept and garnished' hearts and that a new life has begun. How such crises are met and moral help given in the non-Christian schools we know not, but that the moral tone is exceedingly low there can be no reasonable doubt."

Miss Hampton and Miss Singer were joyfully welcomed back after their home furlough, Miss Singer to the charge of the music, the kindergarten and the little school for the blind, and Miss Hampton to evangelistic work and various other duties connected with the home and the treasury departments. The latter reports the continued faithful labors of her self-sacrificing Bible-women.

The visit of the Rev. Dr. Harris, who opened our mission work in Hakodate, was an inspiration and blessing. More room for our Hakodate school is imperative. Every nook and corner is filled to overflowing, and a chapel and gymnasium should be furnished.

HIROSAKI. This has been a red letter year for the Hirosaki Girls' School, since it marks the erection of the long-needed new school building.

The little class of fourteen girls, gathered in 1886 and taught by a young Japanese local preacher, has grown to a school whose present enrollment is 180, besides its beautiful kindergarten of forty little ones. During the years while its local habitation has been cramped and uncomfortable, it has steadily won its way in the community. Its graduates, numbering forty-four Christian young women, are in demand as teachers in the public schools.

This new property was largely furnished by the Japanese, Mr. Hasegawa being the principal benefactor. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society contributed $1,000. Of its dedication Miss Hewett writes: "July 26, Bishop Moore dedicated the new school building, giving a fine address which made a good impression on the Japanese. The governor of the prefecture sent his representative, as did the mayor of the city, and they read papers expressing congratulations. Other distinguished men were present, among them representatives from the two Boys' Middle Schools. It was indeed a great day for the Hirosaki Girls' School. Mr. Hasegawa looked very happy. He treated each guest with a box of fine Japanese cake, and tea was served at the close according to Japanese custom on such occasions. Mr. Kudo had a Scripture text put on each box of cake, and he said afterwards that the gentlemen were much interested, some of them for the first time reading a quotation from the Bible. I should not have thought of that way of reaching the guests, and should not have felt sure it would be acceptable, but Mr. Kudo is full of resources, and alert to find opportunities of reaching the people with the Gospel. He and Mr. Hasegawa seem to have been specially called to this important work of girls' education. Mr. Hasegawa had been very diligent in his efforts to get all in order before the dedication, and the grounds looked very nice, with graveled walks, fence, gateway and stone

steps leading up from the street. The building stands back from and quite above the street, overlooking the town, with grand old Mount Iwaki in the distance toward the sunset.

"The Bishop spent a week in Hirosaki, preaching on Sunday, addressing the boys from the Middle Schools, 1,000 in number, and the students from our evening schools, but he reached the climax on Friday morning at our dedication. He seemed to consider that the great occasion of his visit. We are grateful to him and to all at home who have helped us to this convenient building."

SAPPORO. Miss Bing and Miss Imhof received a hearty welcome as the first resident missionaries of our Society in this center, and they have found much to encourage them in their evangelistic labors. Miss Imhof says: "If we want the cream of Japan we must come to Sapporo." Mrs. C. W. Huett, wife of the Presiding Elder, has also aided in the work. After a few months Miss Bing was summoned home by reason of bereavement and illness in her family. Mrs. Huett kindly supplied the vacancy.

Miss Bing closes her report with these words: "The long night is passing away; the day is breaking upon fields whitening to the harvest. Come and help us, or there must be left ungathered many a golden sheaf for the Master's Harvest Home."

MRS. A. N. FISHER, *Official Correspondent.*

SOUTH JAPAN CONFERENCE.

KIUSHIU.

Woman's Work Commenced in 1879.

MISSIONARIES IN NAGASAKI.

ELIZABETH RUSSELL, MARIANA YOUNG, MARY E. MELTON,
*IRENE LEE, LOLA M. KIDWELL.

Kagoshima.

JENNIE M. GHEER, *LIDA B. SMITH.

Fukuoka.

LEONORA SEEDS.

*Home on leave.

For twenty-one years now the report of Southern Japan has been presented to the General Executive Committee. The first one told the story of small beginnings, and apparent discouragements, which the two pioneers refused to recognize as such. Since then there has never been a discouraging report. Year by year the work has grown; sometimes with rapid strides, sometimes under trials and lack of proper support, but always gaining in numbers and development. The year just closing is one of the latter kind. Handicapped by lack of workers as well as lack of money, we still have an increased attendance reported in all the schools, and also a large increase in the evangelistic work. A request was made to the Government to restore the grade of little girls which was lost when the Treaty Revision went into force. It was promptly granted, and now the whole course, from kindergarten to collegiate, is open to all who wish to enter. The Nagasaki School enrolled 170 pupils and Fukuoka, 90. Miss Lizzie Martin of the North China mission rendered most valuable service in the Nagasaki School while waiting for the way to open for her return to Peking, and her sister, Dr. Emma Martin, a Miss Longstreet and Miss Glenk lent a willing hand to Fukuoka. The Nagasaki School reports an unusual number of students desirous of studying Art, Music and English. Six Chinese girls have been among the number. There is a strong desire among the Japanese to have their daughters instructed in music, and the girls in Nagasaki have demonstrated the fact that Japanese girls can sing, and sing well. The Art and Industrial Departments have more orders for the work they produce than they can

meet, and can sell all at a good profit. The Kindergarten was prospering finely when the teacher had to leave, and an urgent appeal comes for a kindergartener, and the Japanese would be glad to have some of their teachers trained by a thorough teacher of this most important branch of work. There have been "showers of blessings" on the school, also. Most of the girls who enter the school become Christians. A real test was met, and bravely, when the girls were asked if they would give up the Christmas presents and money for the Chinese Christians. It meant much to them, but they heartily consented and grew very happy over their offerings, which amounted to over seventy-three dollars (gold). A pleasant Christmas program was given in which a boat was prepared to carry the money to China. It was called Kwassui Maru, and was decorated with flags of all nations. Miss Young pleads for three new helpers, one for music, one for English work, and one for kindergarten. Miss Melton, in charge of the city evangelistic work, reports a good year filled with fruitful service. The students of the Biblical department have been especially helpful in pushing the woman's work, and a growth in earnestness is very marked among the women who once showed only curiosity. An opening has been made in reaching the higher class of girls and women that is very hopeful. Encouraging results have followed the efforts of two of the students of the Training School, who have preached the Gospel at one of the large cemeteries, where many congregate on Saturday afternoon for recreation. One hundred and fifty stood as earnest listeners. In the Dispensary, since Mrs. Sugenuma's last report, 13,720 prescriptions were given, in many cases not only medicines, but food, clothes and fuel had to be added. The two Bible-women have visited needy cases. A Branch dispensary is badly needed, also a room in that part of the city for a Sunday School.

Miss Gheer reports the employment of thirteen Bible-women in the Nagasaki District. Three of these are well qualified by years of service, and the others, under faithful training year by year, grow more fully to be "workers that need not be ashamed." Many doors are open. God is wondrously blessing the efforts of Mrs. Oshimo in Kumamota. She has two assistants, and finds many doors open in this important city. It is an educational center, as well as a military station, and the people are more advanced in some respects than in smaller places. At Yatsushira, Sendai and Kajiki regular work is carried on under Miss Gheer's supervision, and at Kagoshima three women are employed. The Bible-Women's Convention that was held in Kagoshima, and was rich in blessings, was a memorable one, and its influence will be felt during the coming year. The mornings were given up to Bible study, and the afternoons to practical subjects connected with the work. Three weeks of

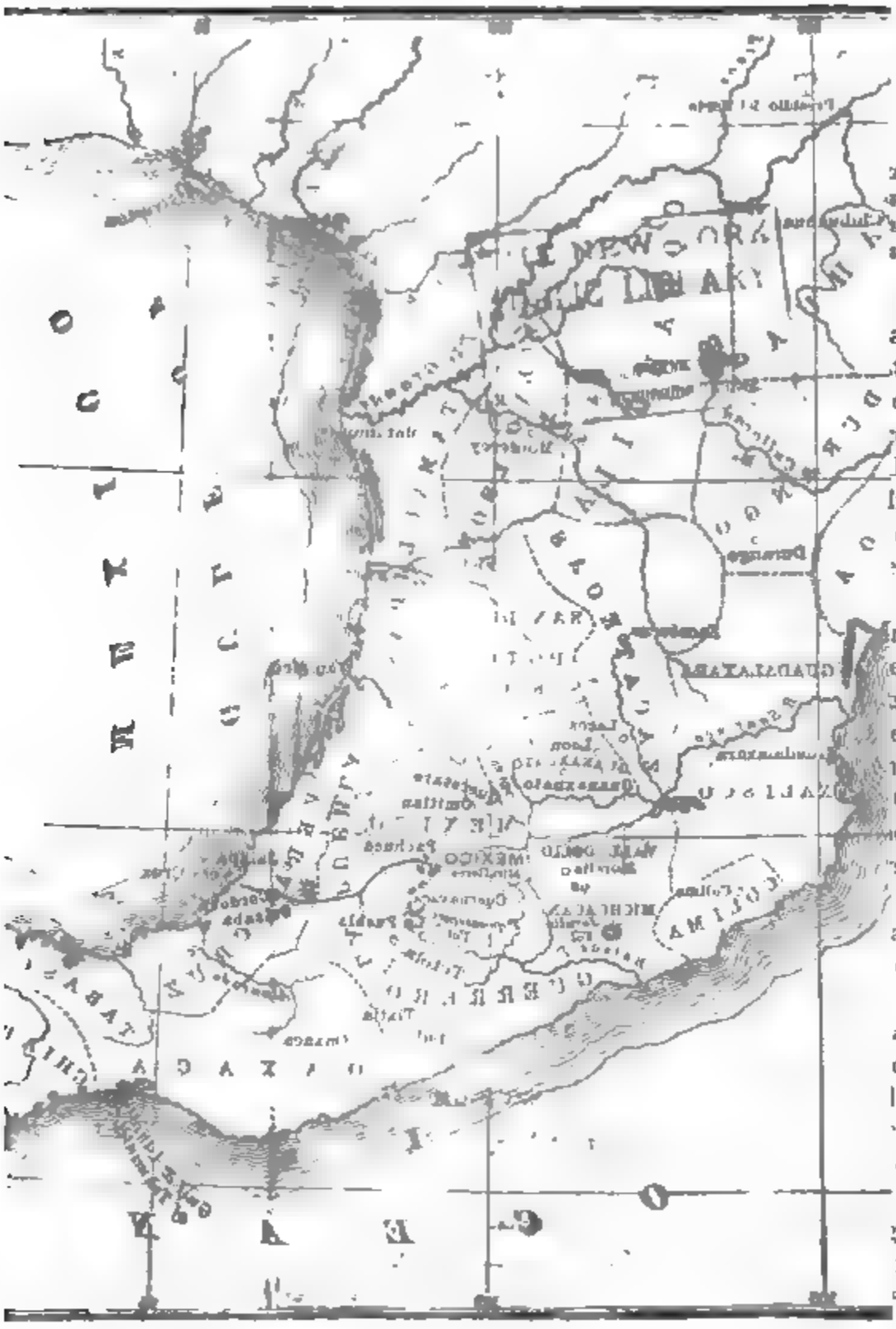
the year were spent by Miss Gheer in the Loo Choo Islands. The school work there is reported as being intensely interesting. As the women are the "business men" of Loo Choo, they can only attend school regularly in the evening, and so the school is a night-school. The girls are bright, intelligent and well-behaved. A number attend our church services and are very attentive listeners. Miss Gheer found the Loo Choo women worthy of our best efforts. These islands are being borne for Christ by Japanese Christians. It is a "mission of a mission."

Fukuoka District evangelistic work and the Girls' School are both under Miss Seeds, a task too large for one woman, be she never so brave and faithful. Seven Bible-women are engaged in evangelistic work in this district under Miss Seeds' supervision, and a very prosperous year's work is reported. Many Bibles have been sold, city Sunday schools flourish, and temperance work is a power for good. The Bible-women come back with good reports and great harmony prevails among the workers. Miss Seeds is under many obligations to the Presiding Elder, Mr. Johnson, for unvarying kindness and help.

Eiwa J. Gokko. A very prosperous year is reported for this school, which is of academic grade, and requires good work. The record shows ninety pupils enrolled, the greater part taking the regular course, some coming for music, or English. Money for only seven scholarships was received; seventy could have been filled. Here as in other schools, almost every boarder becomes a Christian. Where a few years ago Christian teachers were shunned, to-day they are sought after. Four of our Christian graduates are employed in government schools. Three of our Christian teachers are asked for, and even our undergraduates have been offered places, and that without an examination. Five girls complete their course of study this year. They are earnest, faithful Christians. Three others finish the course for the Industrial Department. God has been good to His servants, and they praise Him with full hearts. This school is under obligations to the Chinese missionaries who so kindly gave full service here when shut out of their own appointed field.

Bishop Moore, in a letter to the Secretaries, emphasized the statement that Southern Japan needed reinforcements at every station and in every line of work. It has been a wonderful field for missionary enterprise, and the success of the past is the promise of still greater triumphs in the near future. God is opening doors that no man can shut, but ours will be the "wo!" if we refuse to enter them. It will be our own fault if the curse of Meroz is repeated of these needy fields.

MRS. E. T. COWEN, *Official Correspondent.*



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MEXICO.

Woman's Work commenced, 1874.

MISSIONARIES.

MARY DEF. LOYD, *Mexico City*,
HARRIET L. AYERS, *Mexico City*,
IDA BOHANNON, *Pachuca*,
LUCY BUMGARDNER, *Orizaba*,
ANNA R. LIMBERGER, *Puebla*,
CAROLINE M. PURDY, *Puebla*,
EFFIE M. DUNMORE, *Guanajuato*,
M. ALICE MOORE, *Guanajuato*.

In 1874, Miss Hastings and Miss Warner went to Mexico to establish a girls' orphanage in Mexico City. For several years this was carried on in the upper floor of the old monastery, where Dr. Butler had established the mission of the General Board. The roof of the house was used as the children's play ground. Though there were many inconveniences in this arrangement, for economy's sake these were overlooked until the growing numbers in both boys' and girls' schools made separate buildings necessary. After a sojourn of several years in a rented house, an excellent property was purchased connecting at the rear with that of the General Board, and this is the present habitation of the school.

One very gratifying feature in Mexico, and, in fact, in all our missions, is that a large majority of the teachers employed are graduates of our own institutions. This is true not only of the primary departments, though these employ many, but so thorough and advanced has been the instruction, that several of our graduates are found capable of taking higher classes. These young women coming from our own ranks are Christian teachers, and through the exercises in Epworth Leagues and King's Daughters, are trained in the Scriptures, and are earnest workers in leading souls to Christ.

The four boarding schools and eight day schools have had an enrollment of 1678 scholars, taught by fifty-four teachers, all but four of whom are church members.

In Mexico City, where Miss Loyd has worked seventeen, and Miss Ayres fifteen years, there has been an enrollment of two hundred and ninety-seven scholars. Last spring the spirit of revival reached many of those who were not already Christians. Those most experienced assist the missionaries in cottage prayer meetings. The regular Bible-woman has been working through the city, and one of the graduates has been doing Bible work in house to house visiting. We are expecting to send very soon another teacher to assist in this school, and relieve Miss Ayres for more directly evangelistic work that will bring her in closer touch with those who may be longing for light.

The second school opened in the Republic by our Society was in Pachuca. This school was begun by one of our first missionaries, Miss Hastings, and here she labored for nearly the whole of her twenty-four years in Mexico, until she was called up higher. This is the largest of our schools, and has enrolled four hundred and fifty-two pupils in the past year. When Miss Hastings passed away the question rose, who can fill the place of this wonderfully consecrated woman, whose entire corps of assistants was from her own pupils. In Miss Bohannon's charge, however, there has been no diminution of prosperity, but the attendance has been larger than ever before. In connection with the native school an English department has been opened under Miss Hewitt, which is entirely self-sustaining. Pachuca is a mining town very largely settled by the English, and thence arose a peculiar necessity for English instruction.

In Puebla Miss Limberger and Miss Purdy keep up a high grade of Normal work. Twenty-one free scholarships are supported and the tuition fees from a large number of self-supporting pupils assist in defraying the expenses of the school.

Of the two hundred and fifty girls taught this year, many have been brought to Christ. The spiritual training given in this school, and the discipline that is steadily maintained develop a high type of womanhood; so that our Puebla girls' school attracts attention not only in the city, but from all parts of the state.

The school in Guanajuato was reinforced early in the year by an additional teacher, Miss Moore, sent by New England Branch. This school, under the conscientious superintendence of Miss Dunmore, has increased in numbers and gained in favor throughout the province. It now numbers one hundred and sixty pupils. The situation of this mining town is on either side of a sort of mountain defile with the streets often flights of stairs, and one narrow, shallow stream of water running through the city, which carries all the drainage from smelting works, factories, and habitations in the place. It is most of the year a very vilely smelling stream, the odors of which are a constant menace to the health of the inhabitants. Typhoid fever is not an unfrequent epidemic, and the school building has not been situated in the healthiest part of the city. The new house is being looked for where purer air and more space can be obtained. The Society, however, owns a situation in a somewhat better locality, but heretofore we have been unable to build. An urgent plea is sent that the new house shall be commenced as soon as possible, and an estimate of $7,000 has been forwarded for approval and action at this committee.

Although our Society has had charge of a school in Orizaba for a long time, the past is the first year in which it has been under the superintendence of one of our own missionaries. Miss Bumgardner has been eminently

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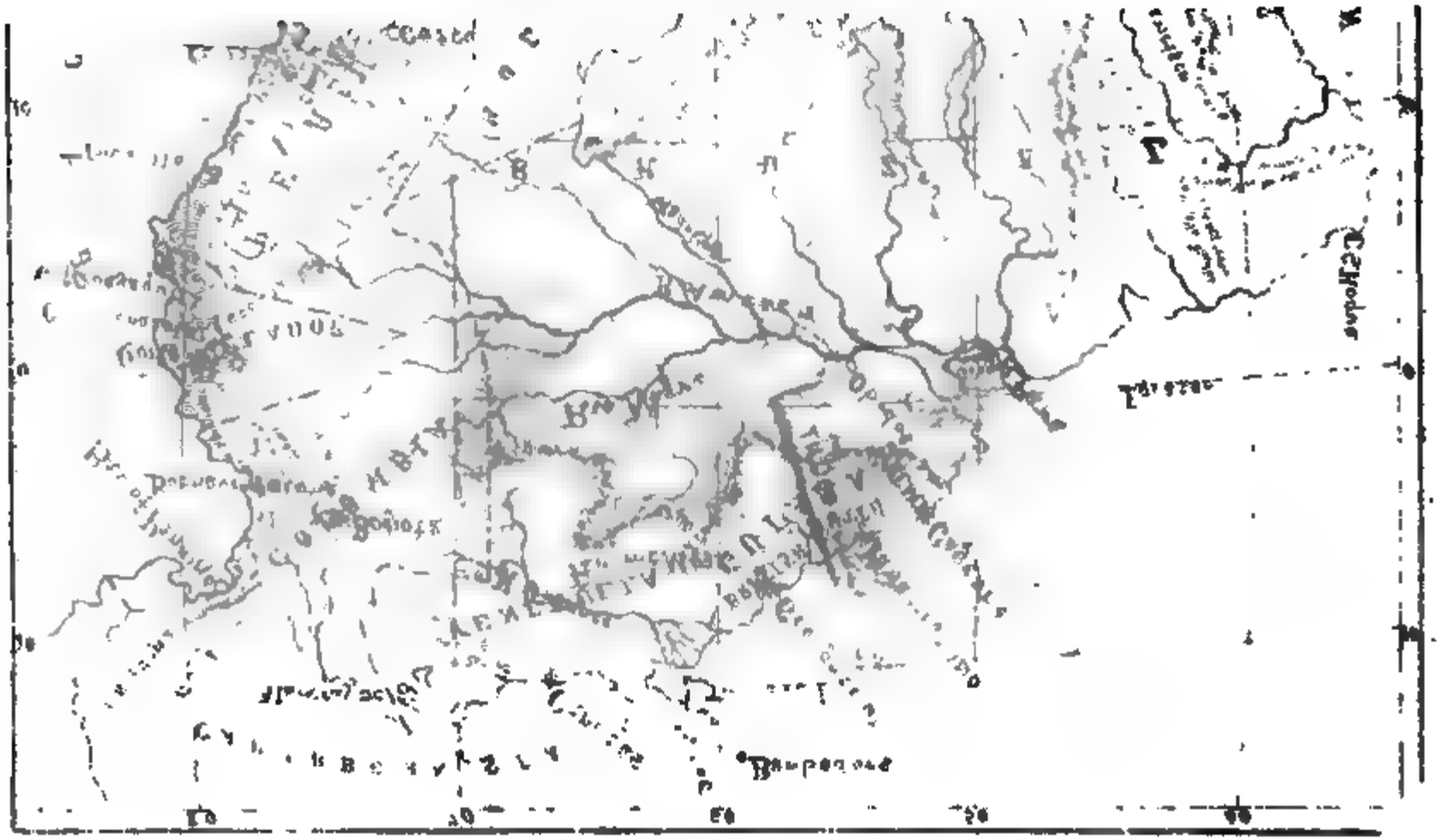

successful in conducting the school, and Miss Hanna has recently gone to her assistance as the attendance has more than doubled in the year. The English department has been put upon a self-supporting basis, and is reaching children of some of the best families in the place, who until recently were reported among the most fanatical of any to be found in Orizaba Some of these already attend the Sunday school and Epworth League, and one at least has joined the church. Additional room has become a necessity to the growing work, and the estimates ask for the rent and furniture of another house.

Miraflores, Ayapango, San Vincente, Tezontepec, Apizaco, Panotla and Tetela are all day schools, where five hundred and twenty-eight children are brought under Christian instruction. Some of the teachers report interesting cases of conversions, and some of the little girls say, they never heard such beautiful things as the teacher reads them from the life of Jesus. Several of these day scholars are full members of the church.

Our work is most encouraging and we long to be able to extend its power.

S. L. KEEN, *Official Correspondent.*

SOUTH AMERICA.

Woman's Work Commenced in 1874.

Conference Organized 1893.

MISSIONARIES.

Rosario.

MARY F. SWANEY, BERTHA KNEELAND

Buenos Ayres.

ELEANOR LE HURAY.

Montevideo.

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *BELLE WAIDMAN.

Lima, Peru.

*ELSIE WOOD, *REBECCA J. HAMMOND.

*Home on leave.

Prior to the year 1888, there were several small schools in Montevideo under the auspices of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and directed by Miss Cecelia Guelfi, now deceased. These schools gave primary and intermediate instruction and were not self-supporting.

In 1888 these schools were combined into one, with the purpose of making this one a high grade school. This was done by Misses Hyde and Bowen, who gave nearly five years of the most efficient service to the institution, working under the difficulty of having no permanent location for the school, and yet by their devotion and perseverance, laying a firm foundation, and sowing seed, the fruit of which is seen in the present success and prosperity of the school.

In 1893 these ladies were obliged to withdraw from the work on account of failing health. The present principal, Miss Hewett, took up the work where they laid it down, and was assisted for one year by Miss Hammond.

In May, 1893, the present property was purchased, and occupied at once. It being an old house, many repairs were necessary to make it possible to be used for school purposes, and even yet the work is sadly hindered because of a lack of rooms. Still the purchase seems to have been a wise one, as it is in a central location and more has been offered for it than was paid.

Now, the crying need is—more room. There is no possible chance for expansive growth in any direction, without additional room. With an existing debt of $10,000 on the property the problem is a difficult one to solve; $5,000 will put up a neat, attractive assembly hall on the lot belonging to the present property. Such a building is an absolute necessity and would make them quite comfortable for the present. Possibly the "Twentieth Century Thank Offering" will settle this problem for us. Extensive repairs *must* be made on some parts of the present building. What have been the results as tabulated in the school records in the last eight years? The first class was graduated in 1893; between this date and 1900, diplomas have been conferred on fifteen girls. Of these twelve have been engaged as teachers in the schools of the mission, both of the General Society and of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Twelve of these are members of the M. E. Church, one is an Anglican, two are Scotch Presbyterians and the third, although a member of no church, indicates by her life that she is a Christian. Most of these young women are also teachers in Sunday school, earnest workers in temperance societies, and some are active in visiting tenement houses, looking out for children to bring into the Sunday schools.

Miss Hewett writes: "If the people at home could realize that Romanism in South America is just as dark with superstition and error as are the religions of real pagan lands, surely they would not withhold their money and their prayers from this country. It is not strange that our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, burdened as they have been with this debt on the present property, should hesitate to add to it; but

meantime we are losing opportunities. Wealthy families are beginning to realize the importance of higher education for their daughters, and in this first breaking away from the old custom of keeping their daughters in the safe seclusion of home, they look for a quiet and safe place, morally, in which to put them.

Such a place they recognize our Mission school to be, after investigating it, and here they therefore decide to send their daughters despite the fact that the Bible is taught in all our grades and we tell them that we do all in our power to help our girls to become evangelical Christians. This is our golden opportunity to reach the so-called upper classes, for, at present, ours is the only high grade school having a Christian character for young ladies.

With the money received from these wealthier families, we could sustain at least two schools of lower grades in other parts of the city, where our own native Christians live, and have to educate their children in the public schools, which are really Roman Catholic, and where they are obliged to observe rites and ceremonies of that church.

In Buenos Ayres the school work has remained the same as formerly, although not as extended. Twelve scholarships supported by the New York Branch, and these with an equal number of boarders constitute the important part of the school's young women in training for teaching in different parts of the country.

The course of study is preparatory to entrance into the Normal Schools of the city. There is daily instruction in the Bible, with required attendance upon the prayer meeting, Sunday school and church services. The boarding pupils are expected to give two hours each day to housework; are instructed in sewing, and taught to be self-reliant and helpful, to care for the younger children under their charge, and to make ready for the part they will have to take in life, later on.

Most of these women become earnest Christians. Reports from the school show that they have done well in the matter of self-support, registering from entrance fees and boarders, $1,126.

The three schools in Rosario, with their nine teachers and two hundred and sixty pupils, have enjoyed a prosperous year. Miss Kneeland, who took over this heavy work after a residence of only three or four months, with no knowledge of the language previous to her arrival, writes: "We had hoped by this time to send you a photograph of our new building, but the picture is only in our minds. So many calls for money and help in other countries, that Rosario has been put off again. However, the municipality have obliged us to do an extensive work on the sewers, altering and extending them, and also to make some repairs in the building besides. But it is the same old story. Our building is

entirely insufficient for our needs. Parents are anxious to send their children to our school, they entreat us to receive them, but there is no room. When we give the number of boarding and scholarship pupils as sixteen, we do not *mention* the great numbers we have been obliged to turn away for lack of room to accommodate them. Before the close of the last school year, every place for the coming year had been promised and several had been refused admission. How can we expect to make our schools self-supporting if we must turn away such numbers of those who would contribute to their support? It is not more pupils, but more room which we need.

Much good is being done with the few pupils we have under our instruction, but if the numbers were doubled or tripled, how much more might be accomplished; and the most permanent good is to be effected among the resident pupils, who are constantly under the care and influence of the teachers.

The general plan of the school has been much the same as in former years. In the day schools the course has been nearly like the National Government schools, with daily lessons in the Bible and in music added. The children in the Sunday schools who had not been absent a single Sunday during the year received Bibles at Christmas, and the others, copies of the New Testament or the Gospels. There have been conversions, and some have been received into the Church.

We are now facing the problem of making an investment of $20,000 for a new building demanded by municipal authorities, specifying the hygienic conditions which shall exist in all private schools having boarding departments. School rooms, dormitories and living rooms *must* meet the conditions or be closed. By application and special favor permission was granted for the school in the Home to finish the year in the house as it is."

In the whole republic of Peru, excepting the district around the capital, Lima, four per cent. of the population can neither write or read. Notwithstanding this fact, the laws for establishing schools are so strict that it is very difficult to carry on any educational work whatever. All teachers are supposed to have diplomas from the Peruvian Government, for private as well as public schools.

The Methodist Episcopal Mission schools have long been acknowledged by friend and foe as the best in the city of Callao, yet every effort has been made to close them by the enemies of the cause—enemies of progress. We have wished no harm to the enemies of the Gospel, but they are being removed out of the way. One man who, as Superintendent of Schools, made us much trouble, died a few weeks ago, and the man who is now in that position has put his own child in one of our

primary schools! This special school has been gaining this year more than ever before, having now more than one hundred children enrolled, all the teachers being graduates of our Mission High School or trained as teachers by the school.

We have never had more than three graduates any one year, while this year we have seven in the High School graduating class, nearly all of whom will desire to teach next year, as they are girls who must depend on their own efforts for support, having been helped through their course by the Missionary Society.

The schools have gone steadily on all the year, during the absence of Miss Wood, being cared for by her mother.

L. A. ALDERMAN, *Official Correspondent.*

BULGARIA.

Woman's Work Commenced, 1884.

Constituted a Mission Conference, 1892.

MISSIONARIES.

Loftcha.

KATE BLACKBURN, DORA DAVIS.

The school at Loftcha, which has for many years been regarded with great favor both as an educational and as a religious institution, still maintains its high rank, and seems to become more and more thoroughly established as the years pass away. Its students come from seventeen different cities, and are from the families of ministers, lawyers, merchants, government officials, farmers, and even humble day laborers. While from time to time there come to us many and various evidences of the commanding position which this school holds in the community, no other fact could so thoroughly testify to its usefulness and efficiency as does the continued and increasing patronage which it receives from a constituency which has little sympathy with its religious teachings or purposes.

The graduating class last year was unusually large, but the accommodations which were left vacant by reason of so many girls having completed their work in the school were almost immediately appropriated by new students. There are at present fifty-one students in the institution, of whom only nine are in any wise dependent on the Missionary Society for support.

Among the members of last year's graduating class were two sisters whose entire education had been received in the school. Their parents had, from the beginning, provided for their support and education, and were so thoroughly pleased with their entire relation to the school that, after the girls had graduated, a letter was sent to Miss Blackburn, gratefully acknowledging her services, speaking in the highest terms of the school itself and of its salutary influence upon the lives of all the students, and enclosing a gift of twenty dollars to be used according to Miss Blackburn's judgment in promoting the interests of the institution.

The homes from which the students come are freely opened to Miss Blackburn and her assistants. Even those people who have no sympathy with the purposes for which the school is established are cordial and friendly with the instructors, and esteem them highly for their personal worth and excellence.

The income of the school for the year which closed last June was an increase, as compared with the previous year, of $250.

Miss Davis commenced active work as an assistant to Miss Blackburn in November, 1900. A good deal of her time has necessarily been given to the acquisition of the language. She has nevertheless been exceedingly helpful in many ways. Miss Blackburn appreciates her, highly. She will be ready to take up the specific work to which she is appointed—instructor in the natural sciences—with the beginning of this school year. She is admirably equipped for this service, and that she will make a faithful and inspiring teacher is not doubted by anyone who is acquainted with her.

As Miss Davis becomes acquainted with the situation in Loftcha, she is greatly impressed with the value of the work of our school, and is enthusiastic in her estimate of Miss Blackburn's skill in its management. She (Miss Blackburn) has now had charge of this work for eight years. Her success is without question. That she has steadily gained the confidence and support of the resident community, advanced the quality of the scholastic work and maintained the religious character of the institution, is at once evidence of her capacity and devotion to the cause which she has served and a vindication of that judgment which placed it in her charge. Miss Davis says of her, somewhat quaintly but significantly, that "She is a marvel of practical efficiency, and can do anything which may be needed, whether it be the teaching of a class in moral science or the making of soft soap."

The Twentieth Century Fund is to receive a contribution from Loftcha. A movement was instituted for the endowment of a scholarship in the institution and quite a sum of money—the amount not yet accurately ascertained—will be secured as the beginning of such a fund. The

students are also interested in missionary affairs. During the last year their teachers met with them for an hour each week when they talked or read together about mission work in the various fields, the plans and methods of missionary societies, the obligations resting upon Christians everywhere to support missionary enterprises and other kindred topics. As they became more and more instructed, their interest in the subject increased, and they resolved to make a contribution to the Twentieth Century Thank Offering Fund, the money so contributed to be earned or to be saved by self-denial. Thus far the contributions have amounted to about twenty-five dollars.

The Epworth League is also taking an interest in the Thank Offering and is making systematic contributions to that fund. Their collections thus far amount to more than twenty dollars, and the entire amount, whatever it may be, is to be paid into the treasury of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

The religious interest which has always characterized this school has in no respect abated. Weekly meetings for prayer and testimony are constantly maintained and these meetings are not only highly prized, but their helpful influence is one of the sources of spiritual power which abides with the girls long after their direct connection with the school has ceased.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society at Loftcha has had a year of unusual prosperity. The value of their active religious life has so impressed itself upon the Church that at the last session of the Conference it was recommended, "That the attention of every pastor be called to the importance of having the women of his congregation organize for carrying on some systematic, efficient work among their sisters."

A new teacher has been employed for the school at Hotantza, Miss Todorova having been appointed to service as a Bible-woman.

The Conference which was held at Tirnova will be long remembered on account of its spiritual interest and power. Miss Davis in referring to the Conference love-feast says :

"What gathering, or what service of our Church enables one to judge so accurately as to the spiritual condition or life of the people? The inspiration of song, the fervor of prayer, and the assurance of testimony were as genuine and as comprehensive as those heard elsewhere on similar occasions. And as we listened to and participated in this service, all thought that we were away in far off Bulgaria and that all the exercises were being conducted in a Slavic tongue and by a people whose whole training and traditions were at variance with the spirit and experience to which they now gave expression, faded away. Tradition and superstition are losing their hold. The people are less susceptible to the old fear

and distrust and they dare to be openly numbered among the Protestants and to accept their faith. Young people are breaking away from ecclesiastical and even from family ties, and avow themselves disciples of the Christian faith and every convert added means a little circle of adherents who are brought under the influence of the Gospel.

MRS. F. P. CRANDON, *Official Correspondent.*

ITALY.

Organized as a Conference, 1881.
Woman's Work Commenced, 1886.

MISSIONARIES.

Rome.

M. ELLA VICKERY, IDA M. BOWNE, EVA ODGERS,
*LAURA E. BEAZELL.

*Home on Leave.

The establishment of our work in the city of Rome has passed far beyond any experimental period, and is as really a substantial part of the Eternal City as St. Peter's or the Vatican.

The Girls' Home School on the Via Garibaldi has, during the past year, met with a gratifying success. Twelve new pupils have been received, but a great many more than that have been refused admission, because it was impossible to accommodate them. Two girls have been induced to leave the school, and have been placed in a convent near by. A bright little girl of rare, natural musical talent, has been adopted by a refined and cultivated German lady, who has decided to secure for her as good a musical education as can be obtained. Another student has married a Methodist preacher, a member of the Italian Conference, and has taken up practical missionary work in the way of teaching the women to read and study the Bible, and instructing them in matters pertaining to Christian salvation.

Miss Odgers sends a most encouraging and interesting report concerning the day nursery. The nuns and priests wage a continual warfare against it, striving continually to prevent parents from sending their children to the nursery, and threatening the poor people with the direst evils if they persist in so doing. But, notwithstanding this opposition,

the number of children in attendance is constantly increasing, and the prospects for future success are constantly becoming brighter. Miss Odgers writes:

"Our ultimate object is, of course, to teach the little ones of Jesus, to endeavor to instill into their little minds the simple principles of the Gospel, so that when they grow up to be the men and women of the next decade they may still sympathize with the evangelicals, and may send their children to us to be taught in the right way. Our secondary aim is to bring the bodies of those who may have inherited physical weakness from degenerate parents, into a healthy condition, because we believe that the soul and body are closely allied, and that health in both is essential. Consequently we provide an airy hall where there is plenty of sunlight and fresh air, and we give them nourishing food, well cooked. It is a pleasure to see the sixty children bowing their heads reverently while God's blessing is invoked on their food. In spite of what the priests are doing to damage our work, in spite of the efforts which many of the parents are making to obtain the good which we can give them and at the same time keep their children from learning our religion, we know that the little ones are learning, and that they will never forget the prayers or the beautiful songs which they sing.

In connection with our nursery a Bible-woman is now employed to visit the mothers in their homes. Some of them refuse to tell where they live, others will give a wrong address, but many are glad to see the Bible-woman and welcome her. She reads to them from God's holy word and prays with them. Her ministrations have been particularly precious in those homes where there is sickness and where death has come. Three of our babies have passed on to the other world. Through the kindness of friends in America each little one received at Christmas a present which made them happy and warm, as they were given a dress or garment for winter. The Christmas tree, with its bright trimmings and lighted candles, made the children supremely happy, and as the mothers and friends filled the room to overflowing, the children, with clean and happy faces, gave their songs and recitations, religious and patriotic, in a manner which was a credit to their teachers and a pride to the mothers. Mrs. Fidelia Buttz Clark, founder of the work for our little ones here in Rome, and whose efforts and prayers for the advancement of the work have brought the light of the Gospel to many a little heart in our nursery, has, on account of illness, been obliged to lay it aside for a season, but her interest in the work continues, and the love and good wishes of the little ones follow her as she takes a much needed rest in the homeland."

The purchase of a palace in the immediate neighborhood of Crandon Hall by ex-Queen Margherita has greatly enhanced the value of our prop-

erty. Two offers for its purchase have been received. The first proposition was to pay us $80,000 for the ground and buildings; the second proposition raised the price to $85,000. These figures were, in many respects, attractive, and the offers were submitted to the Committee of Reference, to Bishop Vincent and to other friends of the school, who had visited Rome, and who are familiar with the property and its surroundings. The unanimous judgment was adverse to accepting the offers which had been received. It was thought that it is as important to the Methodist Episcopal Church and to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society to hold a commanding location in the city as it could be for any other organization to do so, and that the establishment of our enterprise at that point will constantly suggest to the citizens of Rome that it is our purpose to maintain our work permanently and to do our utmost to develop among the daughters of that land a type of womanhood that will eventually redeem Italy.

Possibly some will remember that while the school was still in its old quarters a company of English nuns opened another school on the same street and gave it the same name as that by which our school was designated. After dragging along under almost innumerable difficulties and incurring a large pecuniary loss, the nuns' school has been closed. When that school was dedicated there was placed on the wall a marble tablet which bore this inscription: "This convent has been opened to prevent girls from falling into the Protestant heresy." When the institution was abandoned this tablet was among the articles offered for sale, while the mother superior and the girls, who are still in Rome, frequently come to our institution asking both for aid and for lessons.

The faculty of the institution has been greatly strengthened by the accession of Miss Alice Llewellyn from Pennsylvania, who, inspired by a love for the work in which she is engaged, and imbued with an earnest desire to do all that she can for the uplifting and improvement of the people everywhere, is, without any pecuniary compensation, devoting all of her time and service to promoting the interests of the school. She had previously given two years to similar work in a school in Puebla, Mexico. Hence she comes to Crandon Institute with an experience which is of great value, and which, being added to fine literary attainments, renders her an important factor in the conduct of the school. From a personal acquaintance with Miss Llewellyn, I most heartily concur in and endorse the estimate of her as expressed in one of Miss Vickery's recent letters: 'Surely as God sent His messengers to comfort and support His servants in the past, He sent Miss Llewellyn to Rome. Her Christian unselfishness and patience is a continual inspiration to me."

The one disappointment which has been experienced in connection with the school is the failure of the health of Miss Beazell. She was in Rome only for a brief period, but she so endeared herself to her associate teachers and to the students that her enforced retirement from the service was deeply regretted.

The latest letter from Miss Vickery, written since the new school was opened, contains this paragraph :

"A notice in the leading Italian paper of this morning gives the highest praise to Crandon Institute. New pupils are being daily enrolled; the old ones have all returned. One problem now confronts us, and it bids fair to be a serious one. We have not planned as largely as we should have done, and already we are straitened for room. God is so blessing this work that I feel humbled before him for my little faith."

Dr. Leonard, who speaks from personal observation, says, "the institution stands very high in Rome, and commands the respect of many of the best people. Miss Vickery commands the entire confidence of all who know her. I congratulate the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society upon the excellent work that is being done at Crandon Hall, and am glad to assure you that it is worthy of the confidence of the whole Church. The institution has succeeded in securing the hostility of the Roman hierarchy, but this fact only commends it more highly to the more liberal-minded people of Rome."

The following extract from the London *Christian* indicates the impression made upon those who have been in Rome and learned the history of this institution :

"Visitors to Rome are surprised to see the fine building on the Via Veneto, facing the present palace of Queen Margherita, and to learn that it is a Protestant college for Italian women. Started five years ago with ten pupils under the direction of the American Methodist Episcopal Mission, with an American lady graduate of a university as its principal, it now numbers one hundred and sixty-five students, with trusty professors and other teachers. Since Christmas it has been located in this large, handsome building, called Crandon Hall, specially built for it, and capable of accommodating two hundred pupils, a certain number of these being residents. That it supplies a real want in Italy seems to be evident from its progress, and the fact that so many Italian girls have taken advantage of its splendid opportunities. * * * The college is also open to all English-speaking girls. One who knows it says : 'The Institute is in the highest sense a Christian school. There is every morning a simple devotional service, with Scripture reading, sacred song and prayer. The students and professors in the building hold a service every Sabbath morning. The Bible is studied in a careful, scientific and reverent spirit.'"

The financial administration of the school has been efficient and economical. Certain unusual expenses were necessarily incurred in connection with the opening of so important an institution, but all of these expenses of whatever nature or character have been met without making any requisition on the Society.

The growth of the High School has been almost phenomenal. Five years ago a portion of a building which was located on a narrow street was rented for the accommodation of the few pupils who were in attendance. At the close of the last academic year, in 1901, the enrollment of students reached one hundred and seventy-five, and represented one hundred and sixty-four families. Such results, achieved under the adverse influences growing out of a deep-seated prejudice and the opposition of a hostile religion, are the most convincing evidences of the wisdom and fidelity with which the enterprise has been conducted. Many—indeed, most of our students—come from Roman Catholic families. Their parents, however, not only willingly send their daughters to us on account of the superior instruction which we provide, but they are apparently glad to express their gratification and approval of the moral training which they receive, and which is never subordinated to intellectual culture. These parents are fully informed that their daughters will daily receive instruction from the Bible, and that they will come under the evangelistic teaching and influences which are constantly made prominent in the school. In some instances, however, the religious prejudice is too strong to be overcome. Miss Vickery writes that some of the new boarders were not entirely in sympathy with the religious meetings which are held in the school. Several of them declined at first to read the Bible at daily prayers, and two of the students left the building because "the Protestant propaganda was too strong," but Dr. Burt, in his special service and course of study, has been able to overcome their fears and to arouse a decided interest in subjects pertaining to the spiritual life. "More, far more, than any mere Methodist propaganda, these meetings aim to develop the spiritual nature of the students, and to bring them into an individual personal experience of the Saviour's power to draw all men unto Himself. It is true, here as elsewhere, that immediate results are not always apparent; sometimes it seems as if the teaching makes no impression, but often an inspired glance of the eye will tell of the opening up of a new spiritual horizon to one or another of these girls, or some burning question will come from a soul eagerly seeking for that peace which passeth all understanding, and we thus have the gracious evidence that the spirit of truth is at work in our midst."

The literary club arranged a series of entertainments for the benefit of the library fund. Their efforts resulted in a fair financial success, and

Newman Library now contains five cases of well selected books, while the reading room is supplied with magazines and periodicals.

A detailed report of the dedication of Crandon Hall on the 20th of December, A. D., 1900, by Bishop Vincent is now scarcely necessary. When Bishop Vincent made his first episcopal visit to Rome in 1893, he was especially impressed with the need of just such an institution as has now been established there, and he himself, contributed to the *Friend* a most interesting and complete report of the dedicatory services. Miss Vickery wrote concerning that occasion:

"It was a great day in our history; a day of lofty aspiration and of holy inspiration, and as one's eyes were opened to the possibilities and noble mission to the women in Italy, a light of hope and energy of purpose came into the faces of both teachers and pupils, and we determined to stand as never before for all that combines to make true womanhood."

Again and again have the most congratulatory and appreciative messages been received from visitors and friends who have come to Rome and have seen this beautiful building and been enchanted with the view from its inspiring situation. They have met the teachers, looked into the attractive and intelligent faces of the students, and in view of what has already been accomplished, and in prospect of the achievements yet to be attained, have rejoiced that such an educational institution, free from Papal domination or influence has been established in Rome, where it stands not only for the highest intellectual culture, but also for a religion that is first pure, then peaceable, without partiality and without hypocrisy.

There is a large indebtedness still resting upon our property. It is exceedingly desirable that it should be relieved of this burden at the earliest possible date. It is to be hoped that some of the large hearted, generous friends who have visited the institution, and have spoken so heartily in its praise and of its almost inestimable value, will feel disposed to make some liberal contributions towards the extinguishment of this debt. A gift of twenty cents from each member of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society would cancel the entire obligation. Is it too much to ask or expect that our sisterhood should unitedly agree in this way to remove the burden now resting on an institution whose building reflects such credit on our organization, and whose establishment will be a perpetual incentive to the daughters of Italy, to strive to realize the highest ideals of Christian womanhood. We quote again from Dr. Leonard: "Two things prove beyond a doubt that the Roman Church is feeling the force of the evangelical movement: First, concessions are being made. Not long ago an unwilling assent was given to the reading of the gospels, and three hundred days' indulgence was granted by the Holy

Congregation, to all persons who would devote a quarter of an hour each day to such reading, and a plenary indulgence to all those who would continue it for one month. Of course the reading is from the Catholic version, but even with this restriction it was a great concession. Second, the numerous denunciations that have been thundered from the Vatican against Protestant churches and schools. The earthquake shock of Gospel power has been felt in the very foundations of the Vatican and there is evident alarm here in this center of Papacy. Protestant Christianity must not relax her efforts in Italy, but on the contrary multiply her agencies. Fill the cities of Italy with evangelical churches and schools, and half a century will see the Roman Church reformed or ruined."

MRS. F. P. CRANDON, *Official Correspondent.*

KOREA.

Woman's Work Commenced, 1885.

MISSIONARIES.

Seoul.

*MRS. M. F. SCRANTON.
*LOUISA C. ROTHWEILER,
LILLIAN HARRIS, M. D.,
EMMA ERNSBERGER, M. D.,
*MARY M. CUTLER, M. D.,
ELLA A. LEWIS,
JOSEPHINE O. PAINE,
ETHEL M. ESTEY,
MARY R. HILLMAN.
LULA E. FREY.
MARY W. HARRIS,
NELLIE PIERCE,
ALICE J. HAMMOND,

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE.

Pyeng Yang.

MRS. ROSETTA SHERWOOD HALL, M. D., WOMAN'S HOSPITAL.
ESTHER KIM PAK, M. D.
MRS. W. A. NOBLE,
MRS. E. D. FOLWELL.

Chemulpo.

MRS. G. H. JONES,
LULA A. MILLER.

*Home on leave.

Miss Paine and Miss Frey report that the school building in Ewa Haktang, Seoul, a two-story brick building accommodating four workers and one hundred and twenty pupils, is completed. They say, "It is impossible to express our gratitude to Northwestern, Philadelphia, New York, Cincinnati and New England Branches whose gifts have made these enlarged facilities possible. The enrollment for the year has been seventy-one

resident and five day pupils. The majority come from Christian homes in country districts. This shows the far-reaching influence of the school and the growing desire of Christians for the education of their daughters, a thing a few years ago unknown. In many cases this has been not only by sacrifice on the part of the parents, but has also has been the cause of persecution from their heathen neighbors. That they do not come to us for rice and clothes is proved by the fact that many of them try to pay their own expenses. One of our teachers, Mrs. Grace Moon, is a product of the school, of whom we are very proud. Her work is done faithfully and well, and her sweet Christian spirit gives her great influence among the girls.

Two girls have been baptized during the year and a class of nine are ready for baptism. One of these is a young widow from a high social class for whom we expect a future of usefulness.

Day Schools. In the home of a young Christian couple at Aogi, a room was made bright by putting a few panes of glass in the windows and clean paper on the walls, and word was sent out that girls could come there and be taught to read.

Our West Gate School is the oldest of our schools, numbering sixteen. A new school has been opened at Chong No.

Evangelistic Work. First M. E. Church, Chong Dong, Seoul. Miss Frey writes that she has held weekly prayer meetings with the women whom she has learned to love as they pour their sorrows out to her, and she believes many of them have intelligently believed and are living and growing in Christ Jesus. Two regular Bible-women have faithfully visited in the homes. The work has proved more than they could do. The Nyo Po Ho Whai, "Woman's Aid Society" has come into existence out of our need for more aggressive work. The women have always felt grieved that the age limit of thirty-five shut so many out from the Epworth Leagues, so it was decided to form this society, similar in its workings. The membership has grown to forty-nine, all enthusiastic workers. The meetings are well conducted. The roll is called, inquiries made as to absent members; minutes well written and well read, verbal reports of committees short and to the point, giving incidents of work done and plans for the future. The meetings are held once a month, after the prayer service. They have, in six months, raised over twenty-five yen. The money is spent with great care, each case coming to their notice being carefully considered, to help toward funeral expenses, to buy dainties for the sick, cloth for garments to be given to the poor at Christmas time, etc. They pray with the sick and dying, write letters of encouragement to members of the church, who have moved away where they have no church privileges, and all, as they have opportunity, testify to the saving power of Christ to their unconverted neighbors.

The Epworth League numbers thirty-two. The girls of the League teach, some of the women study the Bible, the Lord's prayer and the catechism. Often as many as twenty women remain in the church during the two hours between morning and afternoon services. At the Sunday School Miss Estey plays the organ, adding much to the interest of the school. The church membership of women numbers eighty-four full members and fifty-two probationers.

Woman's Hospital and Dispensary, Chong Dong, Seoul. Dr. Ernsberger writes: 1,350 different persons have been treated in the dispensary during the year, an increase of 309 over last year. Besides these, hundreds who come to see the patients, come under our influence every year. We drop the seed, God takes care of the harvest. We have made one hundred and sixty-four out-calls, and have had seventy patients in the hospital.

Dr. Harris has rendered us valuable assistance; also Dr. Eva H. Field of the Presbyterian Board, and we wish also to mention with appreciation Miss Lewis, formerly in the hospital. The total number of treatments during the year is about 4,250. Our hearts are filled with deepest gratitude to our Heavenly Father for the success he has given our efforts to lessen the burden of physical suffering which these people bear, and for the many direct results He has permitted us to see from our work. Our Bible-woman and helper, Mary Whang, has faithfully taught the women, although she has been in poor health. Theresa, who was converted in the hospital some years ago, is an example of "this one thing I do." In season, out of season, morning, noon and night, she preaches the doctrine in word and deed. Mary Whang reports having taught in the dispensary 1,754 patients, 415 more than last year. Many books, bibles, hymnbooks, etc., have been sold and given away.

The women of our schools go from house to house and village to village reading the bible and explaining as they read. Two of these on a six weeks' trip talked to 581 women. One spoke to thirty-seven who never before heard the name of Jesus; ten to whom she talked became Christians.

Once a week a lesson in memory work is given these women; they testify to the comfort and help the words of the Bible give them, because, as they say, they "eat" them and they become their own. One woman said, "Why, as I go along the street I say them to my own heart, and at night when I lie down I repeat them." Dr. Hall says in the Pyeng Yang circuit our work continues to enlarge. In October Dr. Esther Pak arrived and has given valuable help in all departments.

In dispensary and out-calls there have been 2,414 cases in ten months, more than one-half treated by Dr. Pak. Of the heathen, quite

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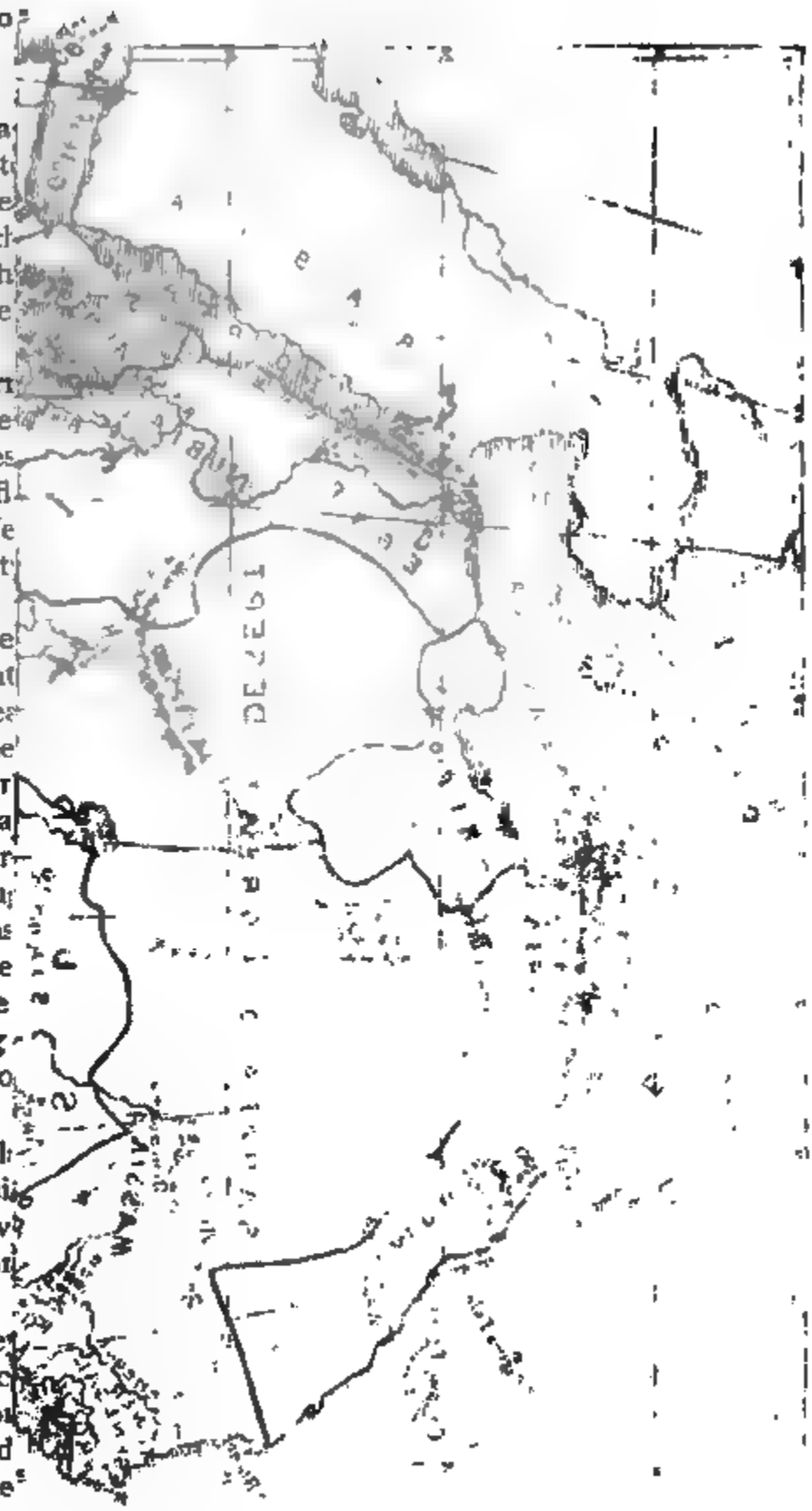


one-tenth have been induced to attend church services one or more times. Thirty-seven have been received at the church as seekers, and eight have been baptized. The Bible-woman, Harriet, has visited 183 homes, meeting 462 people, teaching and praying with them.

Mrs. Noble writes: "The Lord has caused his light to shine upon us all this year, and many who groped in darkness now see the great light. One of the women went on a trip of 130 miles, all of which was traveled on foot. I asked her if she liked to be gone so long and travel so far. She replied that she had never been so happy as when she was traveling for the Lord's work, and every day brought her a great joy as she told the story to the women of her country."

The coming of Miss Hammond, Miss Estey and Miss Miller was hailed with joy, but many more workers are absolutely necessary to meet, in any adequate way, the great opportunity providentially opened to the church in Korea.

MRS. H. B. SKIDMORE, *Official Correspondent.*

AFRICA.

Work opened in 1899.

MISSIONARIES.

Province Angola, Quessua.

Associate—MRS. DR. DODSON, MISS JOSEPHINE MEKKELSON, SUSAN COLLINS.

Rhodesia.

MRS. HELEN E. RASMUSSEN.

The year has been a trying one for Miss Mekkelson at Quessua, Angola. She had been very happy with Miss Zentmire and their work had gone on harmoniously. After Mr. Brewster and Miss Zentmire were married, and left for America, there were dark days. Then the shock of Mrs. Brewster's death at sea was hard to bear. A siege of African fever followed and there could be no medical attendance. Through it all she was upborne by the conviction that God sent her there and was caring for her and her family of girls.

Last March she wrote: "Quessua is one of the most beautiful places I have ever seen. I love it and the longer I stay the more dear it becomes. I wish I could express to you what my girls are to me. They are so faithful and good. I have letters from different societies telling

me that they are praying for me. This brings cheer to my lonely heart." This was written when there was no white person within many miles, and no prospect of a missionary going out soon.

All is changed now. In July Mrs. Dr. Dodson, an experienced missionary in Africa, arrived, and is a great comfort and support to Miss Mekkelson. There are sixteen girls in the orphanage and bright, affectionate children they are. The numbers will be increased as soon as the new building, which Northwestern Branch is furnishing, is completed. Further good fortune is in store for this station. Bishop Hartzell has appointed Susan Collins, a graduate of Upper Iowa College, where she supported herself, to Quessua. A young woman in Pacific Branch has given the money to send Miss Collins to Africa. She is a colored woman, fifty years of age, who has given thirteen years of faithful service in that land. The last year she has spent in California, where, by her modesty, industry and earnest Christian spirit, she has won the approval of all who met her. She has canvassed for the "Life of Booker T. Washington" and thus secured quite a little sum of money which she will apply to securing supplies for the Quessua school. Miss Larson knew her when in Africa and states that no better work was ever done on the continent of Africa than that done by Susan Collins. Our love and prayers will go out to these brave women, who, in the heart of the dark continent, at the one and only station of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, are preparing a way for our God in the hearts of His little ones.

Mrs. Cora Zentmire's death was a great loss. She loved Africa, and was faithful to the end. Again we hear Melville Cox say: "Though a thousand perish, Africa must be redeemed." Our hope is that her own people will rally to this field.

During the year New York Branch sent Mrs. Helen E. Rasmussen to Rhodesia. She has had years of experience in Africa, so that we may hope for unusually good and successful work.

MRS. M. S. HUSTON, *Official Correspondent.*

BURMA MISSION CONFERENCE.

Organized 1901.

In January, 1901, Bengal-Burma Conference was divided, and all the territory east of the Bay of Bengal was formed into the Burma Mission Conference. The work in this new Conference is largely among the Eurasians and other English-speaking residents.

The Rangoon Girls' High School has long been a power for good, its graduates being in great demand for teachers in other schools. Four of them are now teaching in their Alma Mater, and others are occupying places of trust and honor in other missions, as well as in the other schools in the Burmese Mission. Three years ago the orphans and wards of Rangoon Mission were removed to Thandaung, a healthy, mountainous site where the children do all the work of the house, garden and orchard out of school hours.

A rugged, self-dependent class of young men and women will go out from that home to teach their neighbors the dignity as well as the profit of labor.

The Burmese Girls' School is now in charge of one of our Rangoon graduates, while Charlotte Illingworth, who took a course in Allegheny College after graduating from our Rangoon school, fills alternately and acceptably any place in either the Thandaung, Rangoon or Burmese schools.

'Miss Perkins' breakdown and the delay of reinforcements has laid heavy burdens on Misses Rigby, Illingworth and Turrell, but September brought the needed help, and by the blessing of God we trust a new day is dawning for our work in Burma.

MRS. CHARLOTTE O'NEAL, *Official Correspondent.*

REPORT OF THE WORK IN SWITZERLAND, NORTH AND SOUTH GERMANY.

Again we can report a small increase in the gifts of our Swiss Conference. The Conference Secretary writes: "There is but little to be said about our work, which is done in a very silent and humble way. As you know, we can not have special meetings for it, but sympathy is kept alive by the annual reports, which are given to every member of our auxiliaries and by other missionary literature, then by the *Frauen Missions Freund*, which is read in our sewing meetings for missions; also by the encouraging remarks spoken by our pastors on occasion of missionary sermons and reports, and at last by the collecting of our gifts, which serves of occasion to speak about mission needs and deeds. If it is true that 'doing' speaks louder than 'talking,' you may guess by our prog-

ress of 185 francs ($37) that the feelings of our members have not cooled for missions. May the Lord vivify them more and more! May He especially bless your grand work with rich fruit!

"That our sisters often deny themselves in order to give something for their suffering sisters in heathendom is shown by the following incident: There is a poor seamstress who is not strong at all, but must go from house to house and earn her living by sewing all day long. Many times she has very far to go, but even when she is very tired, she will walk all the distance and will put the dime, thus saved, into the mitebox for our W. F. M. S. Is that not touching?"

The South German Conference reports a small decrease. Some of the most enthusiastic members moved away and the best auxiliaries lost courage. How great the influence of a single member of an auxiliary sometimes may be.

The secretary from North Germany writes: "We are grateful that the Lord uses us in the great work of saving souls, and know that He does not despise the smallest gift, if it is given prayerfully and with an upright heart. Though we prayed for all the field in which our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has workers during the past year, we remembered especially our poor sisters in China, who were threatened with danger so long, asking the Lord to strengthen them and keep them faithful even unto death. How full of joy did we feel when we heard how the Lord has heard the prayers and helped them in such a wonderful way. May the peace treaty be a means of spreading the Gospel everywhere in China and remove all obstacles that have hitherto hindered the advance of the kingdom of God. It will be our privilege to pray for this. We gratefully acknowledge that our *Frauen Missions Freund* helps to awaken the interest and love for missions in the hearts.

One sister sent ten marks, saying: "For the famine children in Kolar, mentioned in the November issue of the *Frauen Missions Freund.* May it steadily increase in its sphere of usefulness and prove a blessing to many."

Our Bible-women in Switzerland have done good work, and our preachers write that they appreciate this help very much. In North and South Germany there have been changes, and though we have received a number of letters of thanks for the help received, we feel that the work of a missionary-deaconess is not fully understood yet, and that the brethren still have to learn how to make this feature of the work as great a help as they might.

Three applications for help have come too late; two were for Berlin and one for Plauen. In Berlin Miss Schaarschmidt has done this work with her father who is the pastor of one of our churches there. They work among the poorest of this great city, but she has been sent to China by Bishop Vincent, and Rev. Schaarschmidt begs for somebody to fill the place. The person is found, but not the means for her support.

We hope Miss Lebeus may visit a number of auxiliaries, when she visits her old father in Germany, on her furlough. This would give our work there a new impetus and would create a lively interest in the same.

We know well that the work we Germans are doing is like a drop in the bucket, if compared with the larger Branches; but in God's Kingdom little things count, too, and that is an encouragement for us.

PH. ACHARD.

Report of the Woman's Missionary Friend, 1900-1901.

INTRODUCTION.

The value of a report is to enable those whom it concerns to look at work in its totality and not in its variable, uncertain details; to open the public the methods of work, the points that ask for adjustment, the ossibilities of expansion, the occasion for humiliation or congratulation; nd to offer the opportunity to a constituency of bringing forward advisry plans for future conduct. We can propose or achieve nothing of ublic value without a correct knowledge of the facts.

PRESENT STATUS.

The Woman's Missionary Friend completes its eighth year under ie present editor, and its thirty-third volume since the start, still easily olding the longest paid subscription list of any of our women's missionary iagazines.

A report of the committee on Twentieth Century Thank-Offering, dopted by the General Executive Committee at Indianapolis, November, 899, included three sections for the efforts of the Thank-Offering. irst—The raising of $200,000 as a Twentieth Century Thank-Offering. econd—The increasing of the membership by forty per cent., the accesons to be known as the Thank-Offering membership. Third—The dvance in the subscriptions to periodicals, which should bring *The Voman's Missionary Friend* to 30,000, *The Children's Missionary Friend* to 30,000, *The Frauen-Missions-Freund*, to 5,000, *The Study* to 5,000.

For the first there has been great effort and it has been achieved; or the second there has been some effort, but it has not been successful, or, as Miss Dickson's figures show, p. 389, November *Friend*, it has not ept pace with the growth of the church in the same time; for the third, iere has not been, except in localities, any specific organized effort, and ie result is, first, an advance as the outcome of a sporadic effort in 1900, nd then a slight falling-off as the issue of leaving the Woman's Missionry Friend and the Children's Misssionary Friend to run themselves.

The present year completes a period of thirty-two years of the *Woman's Missionary Friend.* The advance of no magizine can be

determined by the record of a single year. By periods of eight years, the average subscription has been:

1869–1877	18,079
1877–1885	17,566
1885–1893	20,233
1893–1901	20,880

It will be seen that the period of the present editorship is a healthy advance on all previous periods, yet the number is not commensurate with the membership of the Society and signifies that we have many thousands enrolled whose giving must lack large intelligence.

The occasion of this year's falling record may be, perhaps, found in these causes: First—There has obtained the wasteful practice of failing to compare last year's list of subscriptions with that of this on the part of auxiliaries. Second—The failure of speakers, missionary and otherwise, to make mention of *The Friend* is a great source of loss. So little is it impressed upon the returned missionary that one of our best speakers wrote to the editor during the year: "I cannot present too many claims. My meetings are all of a public nature, and isn't the private auxiliary the place to present *The Friend*?" Such advertising would wreck any business man, and the editor knows from a hundred experiences that it is perfectly possible and germane to any speech to say a half-dozen words with regard to our periodicals, and to leave in the hands of one or two of the "chief women" a copy of each. This plan includes both public notice and private solicitation. Third—The lack of proper instruction to the agent on the part of auxiliary presidents. Fourth—Last, and most important, lack of emphasis on our literature in our zeal for receipts. The editor has retained copies of the Thank-Offering appeals that have been issued during the year by the Branches, and, almost without exception, they make no mention, or if any, but an incidental one, of any desire to increase subscriptions, and have given little attention to new memberships. We get what we work for. So long as we appeal for money, we shall get money; but had we not spiritual myopia and intellectual myopia, we would see that we would get even more money by working the other way—on subscriptions first, to introduce information; on memberships second, in response to the information; and on money last, in double the amounts, as the result of our philosophical method.

Much of the work done by our agents in auxiliaries and by some of our general officers in this line is above all praise, as it is above all price, but we need a fusion of ideas on the subject, that that which is occasional may become *general*.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Contributions to *The Friend* during the year have been perceptibly affected by the visit of the editor to Japan, China and the Straits Settle-

ments, and our beloved missionaries have held to their conviction, expressed on the field, of the fresh importance and significance that *The Friend* would hereafter have in their minds, by contributing eighty-three of the ninety-six articles or letters that have appeared in *The Friend* from the foreign field. The home contributions number forty-six. Of those from abroad, Japan has contributed seventeen ; India, thirty-two ; Tibet, three ; China, thirty-four ; the Philippines, three ; Bulgaria, two ; Italy, two ; Burma, one ; South America, one ; Honolulu, one ; Africa, none ; Mexico, none. Eleven articles have contributed directly to *The Study* for the month.

NEW FEATURES.

It will be found upon reviewing the table of contents for the past eight years that each year has introduced some new feature, calculated to make the year's volume one of permanent value. The past year, while continuing historical articles and tables on our schools that will eventually include them all, *The Friend* has undertaken to show the valuable tribute that our colleges are paying to the Women's Foreign Missionary Society, by a series of articles on "College Girls in Missions," the fourth of which appears in the October issue for 1901. Meanwhile, the historical survey of our boarding-schools has been continued, one of which appears in the November issue, and will probably be concluded in 1902.

The Twentieth Century Thank-Offering column has been a marked feature of the year ; its monthly advance a source of encouragement to the treasurers. An effort was made this year to secure the same thing with regard to the more important part of the Thank-Offering, the membership and subscriptions ; but as these fail to win the same attention, it has been impossible to give any but the final report, the first taken from the valuable statistics of Miss Dickson in our November issue, and the second from our publisher.

MAGAZINE FUND.

The success of our Magazine Fund has been such as to leave out this year no station of significance. Beginning with twenty-five magazines in 1898, 1900 saw seventy-five of our best popular periodicals, as *The Century*, *Harper's*, *Atlantic*, *Literary Digest*, *World's Work*, *Scribner's*, *McClure's* and others, sent out to our missionaries, and received with *unpublished* gratitude because there is not space to record in *The Friend* the letters of acknowledgment.

THE QUARTERLIES.

Thanks are due to the editors of the Quarterlies, not only for their cordial co-operation, but the improved method which they have introduced, adding greatly to the interest of the magazine.

REPORTS.

The editor is still struggling in a fruitless effort to get regular reports from the treasurers for the *Business Department*, and to induce correspondents and contributors to print proper names.

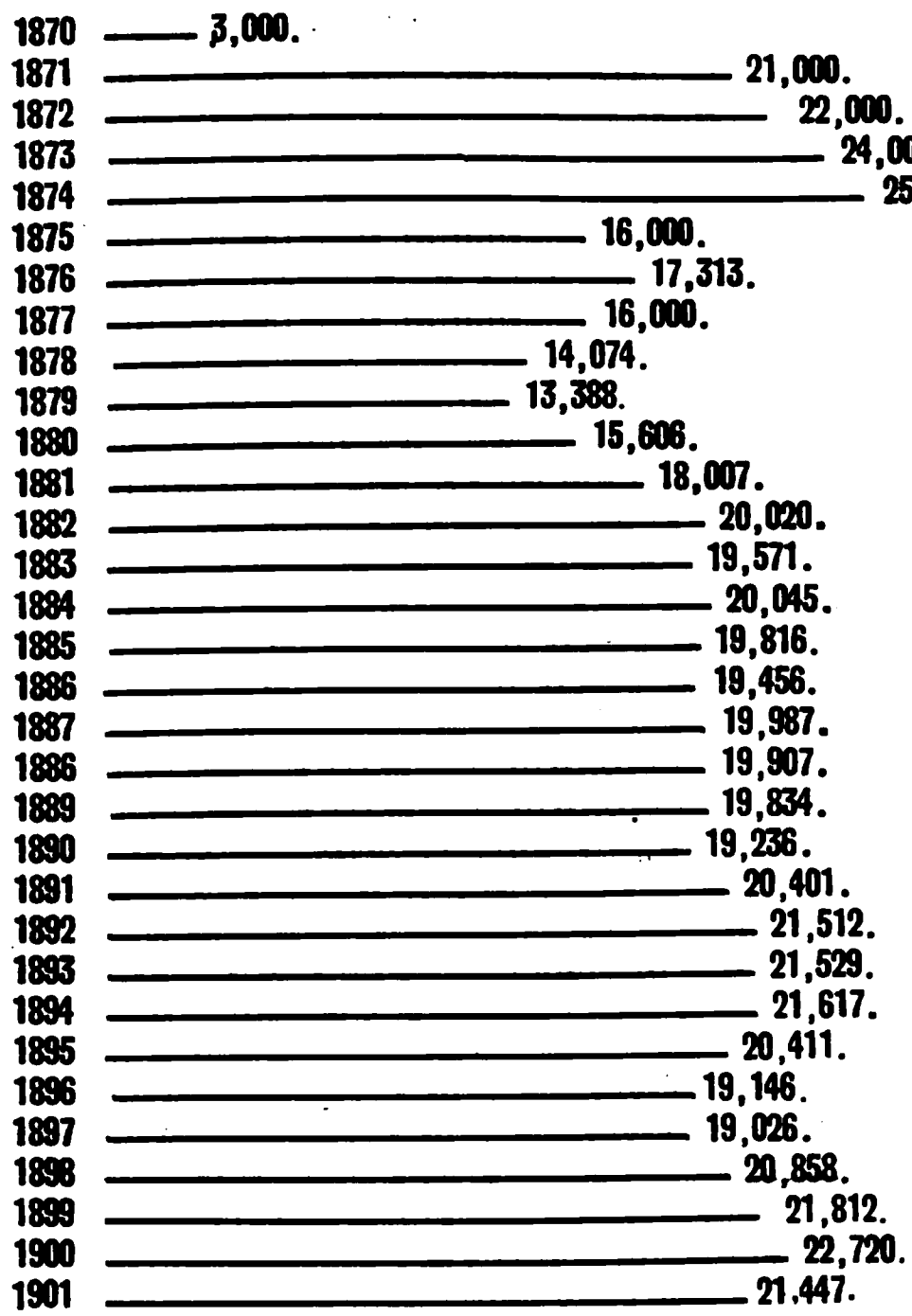
NEW METHODS.

We have hardly variety enough in our presentation of *The Friend* to the public. It is excellent to have an agent in each auxiliary, to take subscriptions, if she does her work. It is a good plan to give an extra subscription for each fifteen sent at one time; but why not try some new plans?

The United Study of Missions is to help us in many lines. Pray God that our shoulders may be broad enough, our minds clear enough, our hearts consecrated enough, to become the pronounced leaders in this great advance movement. Then will the proportionate value of our literature and our periodicals obtain its correct place.

Col. Pratt said at Mohonk, "The secret of success? Yes, I know it. It is to keep at it, and keep everlastingly at it." That is what we propose to do. Do not make it a dead lift by lack of hearty, energetic co-operation.

Table of Subscriptions to the Woman's Missionary Friend from 1869—1901.



Children's Missionary Friend.

We trust that the widespread interest which has been so often expressed in this children's paper, published by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, will lead to a careful reading of this brief report. Not, however, because we can tell of a wider circulation. After eleven years constant and rapid increase, the past year surprises us by a retrograde movement.

Instead of 25,985 subscribers, as reported in 1900, we find at the close of 1901, 25,106. Several reasons may be given for this. In many churches a great effort to increase Thank-Offerings has been made; in others our readers have grown away from Mission Bands and Junior Leagues, and through negligence new subscribers have not taken the place of old ones. We look now for a thorough canvass of Sunday schools and children's societies which shall more than recover to us the missing names. In this canvass some woman, interested in the paper, should be appointed to take charge of it. If such a guiding spirit is in charge, she will know when subscriptions should be renewed, and when new names can be obtained from the ever growing army of little people. Her own time need not be largely taxed, for the children themselves will gladly do the work if they are told how and when to do it. This plan, to appoint one adult supervisor, has met with general approval, and we look for good results in consequence.

To make the work more pleasant, our publisher has decided to give one free copy of the *Children's Missionary Friend* or a copy of "Missionary Songs and Hymns," to any boy or girl who secures ten new names. The club rates are only ten cents when the papers—ten or more are sent to one person.

Much interest has been awakened during the past three years in the Children's Thank-Offering reported in this paper—the Baroda Orphanage in India. Nearly $8,000 has been raised, and we expected long before this to show our readers a picture of the building reared by their industry and self-denial. But there have been unexpected hindrances in obtaining titles to land, etc., and the work has been delayed. But the funds are safe, and will be invested as soon as possible.

And now another special object has been set apart, the Chemulpo Home in Korea. This is greatly needed to shelter the missionaries who will teach Korean boys and girls and we look for the same earnestness in this effort as in the former.

We believe the thousands of boys and girls in Methodism will respond to these special calls *if somebody will tell them how much the money is needed.*

But the paper not only pleads for generous giving, it aims to entertain and educate. There will be several new features the coming year, such as will increase its value. We hope parents and teachers will realize that no pains will be spared on our part to make the little *Friend* worth double its price to their children and pupils.

Our young readers have often been complimented on their knowledge of foreign lands, peoples and customs in their public school work. This simply proves the influence of our missionaries, who, by their vivid and truthful descriptions are helping to lay broader foundations for the coming generation. They are helping to prepare workers who, being trained from childhood, will never question the necessity of foreign missions. Our part in the transaction is to see that larger numbers come in touch with the heroic and aggressive forces of church work. Let us be as wise as Alexander of Macedon, who placed little children in camp with swords, spears, armor and shields for playthings. These born soldiers knew nothing but "Alexander—Macedon—Victory!" Let us furnish helps, influences and incentives for a nobler warfare, that our boys and girls may make their watchword, "The world for Christ and Christ for the world!"

MRS. O. W. SCOTT, *Editor.*

Condensed Report of Constitutional Publication Committee.

At the meeting in Rochester, held May 22nd, the finances of the Zenana Paper were fully represented. By the payment of interest on a mortgage, which had long been delayed, all debt on the editions in India have been cancelled. The New England Branch reported that by the recovery of credit in a company whose stock was bequeathed to this object, and which had passed seven years without paying a dividend, they were enabled to sell and reinvest at an advantage, so that this fund is in a better condition in New England Branch than it has been for many years.

Reports were received from the editor and publisher. The publisher stated the decrease in subscriptions to both *Woman's and Children's Missionary Friends*. The *German Friend* had had a small increase, and *The Study* had risen to 31,232.

Miss Walden also presented a financial statement of the publications during the eighteen years she has acted as publisher. The figures prove that the decrease in the capital of the principal organ of the society is the result of the increase of literature published, which in almost no case has paid for the outlay, except in that of *The Study*. Neither the *German Missionary Friend*, commenced in 1895, nor the *Children's Missionary Friend*, commenced in 1890, have circulated in sufficient numbers to meet their expense, except that of the *Children's Friend* the last two years. This is also true of other literary ventures. The plan of the Interdenominational United Study of Missions was considered, and the committee recommend that the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society continue the present form of *Study* for 1902, issuing it monthly as heretofore, and following the subjects as issued in the *United Study*.

The report of Mrs. O. W. Scott, editor of the *Children's Missionary Friend*, was received, and her recommendations will be brought before the executive session from other sources.

The concentration of the gifts of Children's Bands upon the building of a Girls' Orphanage in Baroda has been most ably and successfully conducted, and another object upon which the children may be interested will, we trust, be decided upon at this meeting.

Mrs. Pooley, Chairman of Literature Committee, reported the work already accomplished by this committee.

It was recommended that a new brief historical leaflet be prepared, also a condensed reprint of the leaflet "Our Machinery."

A request was received for free literature to be distributed at the Epworth League Convention, to be held in July in San Francisco.

Miss Walden was instructed to supply such literature to the amount of $125.

Certain changes in the constitution of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society concerning the Constitutional Publication Committee were suggested, to be presented to the General Executive Committee at its next session.

A communication from Miss Baucus, of Yokohama, editor of *The Tokiwa*, was read. The great awakening on literature in Japan is a wonderful opportunity to sow the seed of truth and Christian living. After years of hard struggle the harvest time seems to be at hand, and only means are needed to gather the fruit and conserve the interests of religion. All the publications issued by our editor are popular, and some of them have gone through several editions. She urges that the whole amount of estimate for this work be given, which we fear we will be unable to grant.

REPORT OF ZENANA PAPER FUNDS.

Received from B. R. Cowen, interest on money invested.....	$ 2,643.51
From Baltimore Branch.....	92.50
" Northwestern Branch.....	56.00
" Topeka Branch.....	33.00
" Philadelphia Branch for Marathi edition	250.00
	$ 3.075.01
Forwarded to India on order of chairman, January 12th, 1901.	1,000.00
June 19th, 1901.....	1,250.00
	$ 2,250.00
Received.....	3,075.01
Forwarded	2,250.00
Balance.....	$ 825.01

H. B. SKIDMORE, *Treasurer.*

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO PERIODICALS, OCT. 1, 1901.

	Woman's Missionary Friend.	Children's Missionary Friend.	Frauen Missions Freund.	The Study.
New England Branch	2,211	3,722	50	2,658
New York Branch	3,082	4,246	323	4,380
Philadelphia Branch	2,211	2,481	53	3,948
Baltimore Branch	820	879	62	809
Cincinnati Branch	2,442	2,192	200	3,496
Northwestern Branch	5,537	5,313	728	7,335
Des Moines Branch	2,121	2,589	616	3,994
Minneapolis Branch	522	1,297	578	1,058
Topeka Branch	1,165	1,076	592	2,382
Pacific Branch	463	628	152	704
Columbia River Branch	264	330	76	467
Foreign	255	215	549	1
Scattering	354	138	13	
Total	21,447	25,106	3,992	31,232
Oct. 1, 1900	22,720	25,985	3,846	28,326
Increase			146	2,906
Decrease	1,273	879		

REPORT OF THE FRAUEN MISSIONS FREUND.

The thought has often come to us, if the editors will ever be satisfied with the number of subscribers to their paper. Miss Hodgkins has given us a high aim, saying: "We will not be satisfied until the *Friend* reaches 30,000, the *Children's Friend* 50,000, the *German Friend* 5,000, and the *Study* 40,000." But we know that as soon as we are near that number a much higher one will be set before us, and rightly so, for our aims should be high ones. Our *German Friend* is getting slowly but surely nearer that goal. It seems a pity that we did not gain eight more subscribers to complete the fourth thousand. As it is we have but 3,992—146 more than last year. We are grateful and praise the Lord for this advance, and in this place we wish to mention that much of this success is due to Miss Rothweiler and her untiring efforts, as well as to the other officers of our German Department.

Our sisters feel more and more that the *Freund* is indispensable in this work, and they are thankful to the Society for giving them this aid. We hope from year to year that the paper may be self-supporting by the next year, and are working hard to gain this end.

We do not feel as if time enough had been devoted by the editor to the preparation of the paper, but other very important work has hindered her. Our auxiliaries are generally very anxious to secure as many subscribers as possible, and only one complaint is heard, and that is that the paper does not come regularly to its subscribers.

It is our heartfelt wish that through this paper more women may see how happy they are and how thankful they ought to be for living in a Christian country, and should count it a great privilege to be able to help their sisters over the sea.

Respectfully submitted,

PH. ACHARD.

Report of Publisher.

Pauline J. Walden, in account with Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Oct. 1, 1900, to Oct. 1, 1901.

To cash on hand		$ 1,456 67
" " Received for Subscriptions to W. M. F.	$ 10,362 75	
" " " " " " C. M. F.	2,553 40	
" " " " " " F. M. F.	870 93	
		13,787 08
" " " " " " The Study	$ 762 13	
" " " " Literature	2,369 32	
		3,131 45
" " " " Advertising	$ 87 50	
" " " " Int. on Loans and Deposit	466 05	
" " " " Certificates	33 00	
" " " " Donation	10 00	
" " " " Sundries	61 40	
		657 95
Total		$19,033 15
By cash paid for Woman's Missionary Friend	$ 7,277 57	
" " " " Editor's Salary and Incidentals	734 81	
		8,012 38
" " " " Children's Missionary Friend	$ 2,170 21	
" " " " Editor's Salary and Incidentals	262 40	
		2,432 61
" " " " Frauen Mission Freund	$ 753 29	
" " " " Editor's Salary and Incidentals	253 54	
		1,006 83
" " " " Literature Expenses		3,394 78
" " " " Publisher's Salary	$ 700 00	
" " " " Office Expenses	518 74	
" " " " Insurance	26 70	
" " " " Commission on Advertising	5 67	
		1,251 11
" " " " Travelling Expenses to General Executive Committee, Editors and Publishers	$ 55 64	
" " " " Printing Appropriations	7 25	
		62 89
" " on hand		2,872 55
		$19,033 15

PAULINE J. WALDEN, *Publisher.*

Examined and approved, Oct. 1, 1901.

A. S. WEED, *Auditor.*

FINANCIAL REPORT OF LITERATURE.

From Oct. 1, 1900, to Oct. 1, 1901.

By cash paid for *The Study*	$ 858 42	
" " " " Annual Reports	632 13	
" " " " Leaflet Reports	110 60	
" " " " Calendars	641 51	
" " " " Leaflets, Books, etc.	708 98	
" " " " Manuscript, Cuts, etc	27 77	
" " " " Stationery and Postage	18 62	
" " " " Office Help	342 50	
" " " " Trav'g Expenses of Committee	54 25	
		$3,394 78
To Cash Received for *The Study*	$ 762 13	
" " " " Literature	1,185 59	
" " " " Annual Reports	424 18	
" " " " Leaflet Reports	130 63	
" " " " Calendars	619 51	
" " " " Maps	9 41	
		$3,131 45
Cash Deficit		$ 263 33
Literature on Hand	$ 850 00	
Bills Due	65 00	
		915 00
Cash Deficit		263 33
Net Balance		$ 651 67

PAULINE J. WALDEN, *Publisher.*

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1901.

AMOUNT OF MONEY RECEIVED FROM OCTOBER 1, 1900, TO OCTOBER 1, 1901, BY BRANCHES:

New England Branch	$ 46,979 61
New York "	65,901 00
Philadelphia "	43,190 49
Baltimore "	15,999 36
Cincinnati "	57,013 48
Northwestern "	102,612 48
Des Moines "	41,393 50
Minneapolis "	13,133 06
Topeka "	21,324 28
Pacific "	13,461 00
Columbia River "	5,787 02
	$426,795 28

Which amount is $12,263.95 in advance of the previous year.

TWENTIETH CENTURY THANK-OFFERING.

The Society in 1898 voted to raise as its part of the Twentieth Century Thank-Offering two hundred thousand dollars. This amount was apportioned among the Branches. The following will show the apportionments and receipts :

	Apportionment.	Receipts.
New England Branch	$18,800	$ 18,800 00
New York "	33,300	30,137 00
Philadelphia "	21,000	28,228 00
Baltimore "	6,400	5,783 66
Cincinnati "	29,000	26,000 00
Northwestern "	50,000	67,848 77
Des Moines "	20,000	20,357 16
Minneapolis "	6,000	7,486 93
Pacific "	4,500	9,629 12
Topeka "	9,000	10,000 00
Columbia River "	2,000	2,000 00
Total		$226,260 64
Folts Institute		175,000 00
Grand total		$401,260 64

Receipts of Society Since Organization.

From March,	1869,	to April,	1870	$ 4,546	86
" April 1,	1870,	to "	1871	22,397	99
" "	1871,	to "	1872	44,477	46
" "	1872,	to "	1873	54,834	87
" "	1873,	to "	1874	64,309	25
" "	1874,	to "	1875	61,492	19
" "	1875,	to Feb. 10,	1876	55,276	06
" Feb. 10,	1876,	to "	1877	72,464	30
" "	1877,	to "	1878	68,063	52
" "	1878,	to "	1879	66,843	69
" "	1879,	to "	1880	76,276	43
" "	1880,	to "	1881	107,932	45
" "	1881,	to Oct. 1,	1882	195,678	50
" Oct. 1,	1882,	to "	1883	126,823	33
" "	1883,	to "	1884	143,199	14
" "	1884,	to "	1885	157,442	66
" "	1885,	to "	1886	167,098	85
" "	1886,	to "	1887	191,158	13
" "	1887,	to "	1888	206,308	69
" "	1888,	to "	1889	226,496	15
" "	1889,	to "	1890	220,329	96
" "	1890,	to "	1891	263,660	69
" "	1891,	to "	1892	265,342	15
" "	1892,	to "	1893	277,303	79
" "	1893,	to "	1894	311,925	96
" "	1894,	to "	1895	289,227	00
" "	1895,	to "	1896	285,823	94
" "	1896,	to "	1897	313,937	86
" "	1897,	to "	1898	328,488	75
" "	1898,	to "	1899	360,338	63
" "	1899,	to "	1900	414,531	33
" "	1900,	to "	1901	426,795	28
Total since organization				$5,881,525	86

Resolution on Special Work.

The following paper was presented at the General Executive Committee in Worcester, Mass., October, 1900, from the missionaries in attendance, and adopted by that body, and ordered printed in the Annual Report.

Whereas, We, your representatives on the foreign field recognize that close personal touch is necessary in order to awaken and continue interest in mission work and

Whereas, The present method of carrying on one form of special work, namely the attachment of individual givers at home to an individual protege on the foreign field is often productive of many harmful influences and results, both upon the givers at home and the proteges in the foreign field, aside from the great labor involved in the necessary correspondence, and

Whereas, This system is detrimental to the fundamental principles of our Christian service in that such gifts frequently prove to have been of a merely temporary and philanthropic character instead of being offerings made to the Lord Christ, and to the general advancement of His Kingdom,

Therefore Resolved, (1.) That the missionary be made the living link between the givers at home and the foreign field, whose support shall be assigned to the various conferences and districts, and whose duty it shall be to write regularly to her constituency letters which may be multiplied and sent to each auxiliary.

(2.) That Bible readers, teachers and scholarships, so far as possible, be paid from the regular funds as apportioned to the different Branches and Conferences.

TOPICS FOR STUDY, 1902.

These topics include the six lessons prepared for Interdenominational Study.

January. Review of 1901 at home and abroad.

February. Paul to Constantine. From the Apostolic age to the Christianization of Roman Empire. First to the fourth century.

March. Thank-Offering service and special twentieth-century effort. Modern results of the "Christianization of the Roman Empire." Crandon Hall, etc., etc.

April. Constantine to Charlemagne. From the Christianization of the Roman Empire to the establishment of the Christian Empire of the West. Fourth to the ninth century.

May. Charlemagne to Bernard of Clairvaux. From the establishment of the Christian Empire of the West to the crusading church. Ninth to the twelfth century.

June. Our youth at home and abroad. Applied and misapplied energy.

July. Bernard of Clairvaux to Luther. From the crusading church to the Reformation. Twelfth to the sixteenth century.

August. Out-door efforts. Camp-meetings, camp fires, Chautauquas, assemblies, etc., etc. History of mission work in Mexico and the relation of her religion to America.

September. Luther to the Halle missionaries. From the Reformation to the foundation of early European societies for the propagation of the Gospel. Sixteenth to the eighteenth century.

October. Ingathering and the Philippines.

November. The Halle missionaries to Carey and Judson. From the foundation of early European societies for the propagation of the Gospel to the beginning of the nineteeth century missions. Eighteenth to the nineteenth century.

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Date of App'm't.		
1882	*m*	Akers, Estella, M. D. (Perkins)
1883		Atkinson, Anna P.
1886	*r*	Atkinson, Mary
1886		Ayres, Harriet L.
1887	*r*	Abrams, Minnie F.
1888		Allen, Belle J.
1894		Alling, H. S.
1894		Allen, Mabel
1900		Anderson, Luella R.
1901		Abbott Anna A.
1871	*m*	Brown, Maria (Davis)
1872	*m*	Blackmar, Lou E. (Gilder)
1879	*r*	Bushnell, Kate C., M. D.
1880		Budden, Annie
1882	*m*	Benton, Emma (Elmer)
1885		Bonafield, Julia A.
1887		Blackmore, Sophia
1888		Bing, Anna L.
1888		Blair, Kate A
1888	*r*	Black, Lillian B.
1888	*m*	Bowen, Mary E.
1889		Bender, Elizabeth A.
1889		Blackstock, Ella
1889		Baucus, Georgiana
1890		Benn, Rachel R., M. D.
1890	*m*	Bengel, Margaret (Jones)
1896	*m*	Barrows, Mrs. M. L., M. D.
1897		Bowne, Ida May
1891		Bryan, Mary E., M. D.
1892		Blackburn, Kate A.
1894	*m*	Butcher, Annie
1896		Benthein, E. M.
1897	*r*	Boss, Harriet
1897		Bobenhouse, Laura
1898		Burman, Matilda
1900		Brouse, Louise I.
1900		Bohannon, Ida
1900		Bearell, Laura B.
1900		Bumgardner, Lucy E.
1901		Bennett Fannie A.
1876	*m*	Carey, Mary F. (Davis)
1875	*d*	Campbell, L. A.
1874		Chapin, Jennie M.
1873	*m*	Coombs, L., M. D. (Strittmater)
1878	*r*	Cushman, Clara
1880	*r*	Clemens, Mrs. E. J.
1884	*m*	Corey, Catherine, M. D. (Ford)

Date of App'm't.		
1884	*r*	Christiancy, Mary F., M. D.
1887		Carleton, May E., M.D.
1888	*d*	Carroll, Mary E.
1892	*r*	Crosthwaite, Isabella
1892		Craig, Frances
1892		Cutler, Mary F., M. D.
1894	*m*	Christiansen, Christina
1894	*m*	Collins, Ruth A. (Thoburn)
1895		Croucher, Miranda
1895		Curts, Kate O.
1895		Collier, Clara J.
1898		Carver, Margaret B.
1900		Cody, Mary A.
1901		Collins, Susan
1874	*r*	Denning, Lou B.
1882	*m*	Devine, Esther J. (Williams)
1884	*d*	Downey, Clara A.
1884	*r*	De Line, Sarah M.
1888	*r*	Danforth, Mary A.
1888		Dickerson, Augusta
1888	*m*	Day, Martha E. (Abbott)
1890		Daily, Rebecca
1890	*r*	Dudley, Hannah
1891	*r*	De Motte, Mary (Dossing)
1892		Dunmore, Effie
1893	*m*	Diem, Lydia
1893		Davis, Anna L. (Mrs.)
1894		Donahue, Julia M., M. D.
1895	*m*	Dart, Jennie M., M. D. (Deane)
1896	*m*	Deaver, Ida C.
1897		Daniels, N. M.
1899		Driebelbeis, Caroline
1900		Davis, Dora
		Decker, H. M.
1878		Easton, S. A.
1885	*m*	Elliot, Mary J.
1883	*d*	Everding, Emma J.
1884		English, Fannie M.
1885	*m*	Elliot, Mary C.
1879	*m*	Elliot, Margaret (Wilson)
1888		Ernsberger, L., M. D.
1894		Elicker, Anna
1894		Easton, Celesta
1895		Evans, Alice A.
1897		Elliot, Martelle
1899		Ernsberger, Emma, M. D.

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	m	Ewers, Harriet E. (Lyons)
		Ellis, Ida
		Estey, Ethel M.
		Edmonds, Agnes, M. D.
		Edmunds, Margaret J.
	m	Fisher, Elizabeth (Brewster)
	d	Fuller, Delia A.
	r	Field, Nellie H.
	r	Fincham, Ella B.
		Files, Estella M.
	m	Forbes, Ella R. (Phillips)
		French, Anna S.
		Frey, Celia M.
	m	Ferris, Emma E. (Shellabear)
		Frey, Lulu E.
		Foster, Eva M.
		Fisher, Fannie S.
		Forster, Miriam
		Foster, Carrie.
	d	Green, Lucillea H., M.D. (Chen-[ey)
	r & m	Gibson, Eugenia
		Gheer, Jennie M.
	m	Goodenough, Julia E. (Hudson)
	d	Gilchrist, Ella, M. D.
	d	Guelfi, Cecelia
	r	Green, Nellie R.
		Gloss, Anna M., M. D.
		Gallimore, Anna
		Griffiths, Mary B.
		Glover, Ella J.
		Greene, Lily D.
		Galloway, Helen
	r	Goodin, E. S.
		Gilman, Gertrude
		Glenk, E. Marguerite.
		Gregg, Mary E.
		Goetz, Adaline.
		Harvey, Emily L.
	m	Hedrick, M. C. (Miles)
	r	Hamisfar, F. N., M. D.
		Howe, Gertrude
	r	Howe, Delia A.
		Hoag, L. A., M. D.
	d	Hastings, Mary L.
	m	Howard, Leonora, M.D. (King)
	m	Holbrook, Mary A. (Chappell)
	d	Higgins, Susan B.
		Hampton, Minnie S.
	m	Hoy, Ella J. (Lawson)
	m	Hugaboom, Marion
	m	Hyde, Laura, M. D. (Foote)
	m	Hughes, Mary (Ernsberger)
		Hewett, Elizabeth
		Hewett, Eleanor J.
		Hall, Emma M.
	r	Howard, Meta, M. D.
		Hartford, Mabel C.
	m	Hale, Lillian G. (Scott-Welday)
	m	Hyde, Minnie J. (Wilson)
		Haefer, Louisa
		Hammond, Rebecca J.
		Hoge, Elizabeth
	m	Harrington, Susan (Cousland)
	m	Hebinger, Josephine (Snuggs)
	m	Harris, Mary W. (Follwell)
		Heaton, Carrie A.
	m	Harris, Nellie

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1895		Hardie, Eva M.
1895		Hu King Eng, M. D.
1895	m	Hodge, Emma, M. D. (Worrell)
1897		Harris, Lillian, M. D.
1897		Hyde, Nettie M.
1895		Hemingway, E. A.
1900		Hollman, Charlotte J.
1900		Hillman, Mary R.
1900		Hammond, Alice J.
1901		Holbrook, Ella.
1889		Imhof, Louisa
1899		Ingram, Helen
1899		Illingworth, Charlotte
1883		Jewell, Mrs. C. M.
1884		Jewell, Carrie I.
1888	m	Johnson, Ella (Kinnear)
1894	r	Johnson, Anna
1881		Knowles, Emma L.
1881	d	Kerr, Hattie A.
1885		Kyle, Theresa J.
1880	r	Kelly, Luella
1886	m	Kaulback, Anna L. (Wilson)
1888		Ketring, Mary, M. D.
1891		Kemper, Harriet
1891	m	Kennedy, Mary E. (Core)
1892		Keeler, Anna C.
1894		Kidwell, Lola M.
	m	Kissick, S. E. (McCartney)
1896		Khan, Ida, M. D.
1900		Kneeland, Bertha R.
1874	m	Lore, Julia A., M. D. (McGrew)
1878	d	Layton, M. E.
1878	m	Leming, Sarah (Shepherd)
1884		Le Huray, Eleanor
1884		Loyd, Mary DeF.
1884	r	Latimer, Laura
1892	r	Lauck, Ada J.
1886		Lawson, Anna E.
1890		Lyon, M. Ella, M. D.
1891		Lewis, Ella A.
1891		Limberger, Anna R.
1892		Lawson, Christina H.
1885		Lauck, Sarah
1894		Lee, Irene
1891	r	Locke, Jennie
1895		Linam, Alice
1897	r	Lamb, Emma L.
1897		Lebeus, Martha
1897		Lilly, May B.
1897		Livermore, Melva A.
1897		Lewis, Amy G.
1898		Longstreet, I. D.
1898		Loper, I. Grace
1889		Livingstone, Kate
1901		Lewis, Margaret M., M. D.
1873	m	Monelle, Nancy, M. D. (Man-[sell)
1874	m	Mason, Letitia, M. D. (Quine)
1878	r	Mulliner, Clara
1871	m	McMillan, Carrie (Buck)
1881	d	Michenor, Emma
1883	m	McKesson, Mary (Conkling)
1884	m	Mansell, Henrietta (Monroe)
1886	r	Miller, Oriel
1886	r	McDowell, Kate, M. D.
1888		Maxey, Elizabeth

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1888	m	McBurnie, Susan (Bond)
1888		Mitchell, Emma L.
1892		Masters, Luella, M. D.
1888	m	McGregor, Kate, M. D. (Boom-[er)
1894		Marks, Lillian E.
1894		Meyer, Fannie E.
1896		Merrill, C. E.
1896		Means, Mary
1897		Martin, Clara
1897		Melton, Mary E.
1898		Means, Alice
1899		Moyer, Jennie E.
1899		Manning, Ella
1900		Mekkleson, Josephine
1900		Meek, Mrs. Mary C.
1900		McKinley, Mary V.
1900	d	McKibben, Martha
1900		Martin, Emma E., M. D.
1900		Miller, Lula A.
1900		Miller, Martha J.
1900		Martin, Elizabeth
1900		Moots, Mrs. Cornelia
1901		Marriott, Jessie Alice
1901		Moore, M. Alice
1901		McKnight, Isabel
1880	d	Nickerson, Florence
1892	r	Neiger, Lillian
1894		Nichols, Florence
1896		Nichols, Elizabeth
1898		Newton, Marion
1899		Nicolaisen, Martha L.
1900		Norton, Anna J., M. D.
1876	d	Ogden, Nettie C.
1891		Ogburn, Kate L.
1894	m	Otto, Alice M. (Selby)
1900		Organ, Clara M.
1900		Odgers, Eva
1871	m	Porter, Mary Q. (Gamewell)
1872	d	Pultz, Elizabeth M.
1878	r	Priest, Mary
1886	r	Pray, Susan, M. D.
1888	m	Perrine, Florence (Mansell)
1888		Peters, Sarah
1888	d	Pardoe, Mary E. V.
1889		Phelps, Frances E.
1889	r	Parker, Theda A.
1890		Perkins, Fannie A.
1892		Paine, Josephine O.
1894		Peters, Mary
1896		Purdy, Caroline M.
1896		Porter, Charlotte J.
1897		Pierce, Nellie
1899		Parkinson, Phebe A.
1900		Pak, Mrs. Esther Kim
1900		Plumb, Florence
1879		Russell, Elizabeth
1881	d	Rowe, Phoebe
1884		Reed, Mary
[illegible]		Robinson, Mary C.
1886	m	Rulofson, G. M. (Thompson)
1887		Rothweiler, Louisa C.
1889	m	Rogers, Anna M. (Furness)
1892		Rouse, Wilma H.
1895	r	Russell, Martha H.
1900		Rigby, Luella

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1900		Rowley, Mary L.
1900		Robinson, Ruth E.
1869	r	Swain, Clara A., M. D.
1870	r	Sparkes, Fannie J.
1874	m	Schoonmaker, Dora (Soper)
1878		Spencer, Matilda A.
1878		Swaney, Mary F.
1878	m	Sparr, Julia A., M. D. (Collie)
1879	r	Sharpe, Mary
1880	m	Spence, Mattie B. (Perrie)
1880	d	Sears, Annie B.
1884	d	Schenck, Linna M.
1885		Scranton, Mrs. M. F.
1885		Smith, Lida B.
1887		Shaw, Ella C.
1888		Sullivan, Lucy W.
1888		Sheldon, Martha A., M. D.
1888	d	Simons, Maude E.
1889		Steere, Anna E.
1889		Scott, Fannie A.
1889		Sellers, Ruth E.
1890		Stevenson, Ida R., M. D.
1890	m	Sites, Ruth M. (Brown)
1890	m	Sherwood, R., M. D. (Hall)
1890		Seeds, Leonora H.
1890		Stephens, Grace
1892		Stahl, Josephine
1892	m	Stanton, Alice M. (Woodruff)
1894		Singer, Florence E.
1895	m	Sterling, Florence (Leuth) d
1896		Spencer, Clarissa E.
1896		Suderstrom, Anna
1896		Stone, Mary, M. D.
1896		Scott, Emma, M. D.
1896		Shockley, Mary E.
1896	m	Spear, Katherine A. (Collier)
1899		Stearns, Mary P.
1899		Samson, Carrie J.
1900		Southard, Ada J.
1900		Stockwell, Grace
1901		Stockwell, Emma
1880	d	Thoburn, Isabella
1874	m	Trask, Sigourney, M. D. (Cow-[les)
1871	m	Tinsley, Jennie M. (Waugh)
1887		Terry, Edna G., M. D.
1889	m	Taylor, Martha E. (Callahan)
1889		Trimble, Lydia A.
1889	m	Thompson, Anna (Stephens)
1890	m	Tucker, Grace (Tague)
	r	Thompson, E.
1895		Todd, Althea M.
1895	r	Tryon, Elizabeth V.
1896		Taft, Gertrude, M. D.
1897		Todd, Grace
1881		VanPetten, Mrs. Carrie
1887	d	Vance, Mary A. (Belknap)
1889		Van Dorsten, Amelia
1891		Vickery, Ella M.
1898		Varney, L. W.
1871	d	Woolston, Beulah
1871	r	Woolston, Sarah H.
1874	m	Warner, Susan M. (Denamore)
1876	m	Whiting, Olive (Bishop)
1878	d	Woolston, Henrietta, M. D.
1880	d	Woodworth, Kate (Quinn)
1881	m	Warner, Ellen H. (Fox)

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1881	*m*	Wheeler, Frances J. (Verity)
1883		Watson, Rebecca J.
1885		Wisner, Julia E.
1889		Wood, Elsie
1884		Wilson, May
1889		Wilson, Frances O.
1891	*m*	Walton, Ida B.
1891		White, Laura M.
1889	*m*	Wilson, Mary E. (Buchanan)
1892		Wood, Catherine A.
1893		Wilkinson, Lydia A.
1894		Wilson, Mary
1895		Wright, Laura S.
1895		Wells, Phebe

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1896	*m*	Widdifield, Flora M.
1896		Waidman, Belle
1896		Wilson, Fannie G.
1900		Williams, Mary E.
1901		Woods, Grace W.
1901		Wells, Elizabeth
1901		Winslow, Anna S.
1901		Williams, Christina
1880	*r*	Yates, Elizabeth U.
1892		Young, Effie G.
1897		Young, Mariana
1898	*d*	Zentmire, Cora (Brewster)

Missionaries	382
Medical	49
Deceased	29
Married	80
Retired	47

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APPOIN'T	MISSIONARIES.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	BRANCHES.	FORMER RESIDENCE.
1872	Gertrude Howe	Kiu Kiang, China	Northwestern	Lansing, Mich.
1872	Lucy A. Hoag, M. D.	Chin Kiang, China	New York	Ann Arbor, Mich.
1878	S. A. Easton	Naini Tal, India	Cincinnati	Washington, D. C.
1878	Matilda A. Spencer	Tokyo, Japan	Philadelphia	Germantown, Pa.
1879	Elizabeth Russell	Nagasaki, Japan	Cincinnati	Delaware, O.
1879	Jennie M. Gheer	Kagoshima, Japan	New York	Bellewood, Pa.
1880	*Anna Budden	Pithoragarh, India	New York	Almorah, India.
1881	Minnie S. Hampton	Hakodate, Japan	New York	New York, N. Y.
1881	Mrs. Carrie Van Petten	Yokohama, Japan	Northwestern	Neponset, Ill.
1881	Emma L. Knowles.	Darjeeling, India	New England	Newark, N. J.
1883	*Mrs. Charlotte M. Jewell	Pekin, China	New York	California.
1883	*Rebecca J. Watson	Tokyo, Japan	Topeka	Lincoln, Neb.
1884	*Lida B. Smith	Kagoshima, Japan	New York	Syracuse, N. Y.
1884	Fannie M. English	Bareilly, India	New York	Seneca Falls, N. Y.
1884	Mary Reed	Pithoragarh, India	Cincinnati	Becketts, O.
1884	Mary C. Robinson	Shanghai, China	Northwestern	Michigan.
1884	Carrie I. Jewell	Foochow, China	Cincinnati	Harmar, O.
1884	Eleanor LeHuray	Buenos Ayres	Philadelphia	Summit, N. J.
1884	Mary DeF. Loyd	Mexico City, Mexico	Philadelphia	Hillsboro, O.
1884	Elizabeth Hewett	Montevideo, S. A	Northwestern	Gilead, Mich.
1885	*Mrs. M. F. Scranton	Seoul, Korea	N. E. & N. Y.	Cleveland, O.
1885	*Anna D. Gloss, M. D	Pekin, China	Northwestern	Chicago, Ill.
1885	Theresa J. Kyle	Pauri, India	Philadelphia	Mt. Pleasant, Pa.
1885-1900.	Julia E. Wisner	Darjeeling, India	Cincinnati	Berea, O.
1886	Ella J. Hewett	Hirosaki, Japan	Northwestern	Gilead, Mich.

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APPOIN'T	MISSIONARIES.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	BRANCHES.	FORMER RESIDENCE.
1886	Anna E. Lawson	Ajmere, India	Des Moines	Ottumwa, Ill.
1886	Harriet L. Ayres	Mexico City, Mexico	Cincinnati	Hillsboro, O.
1887	*Edna G. Terry, M. D	Tsunhua	New England	Boston, Mass.
1887	Ella C. Shaw	Nankin, China	Northwestern	Moore's Hill, Ind.
1887	Mabel C. Hartford	Kucheng, China	New England	Dover, N. H.
1887	Sophia Blackmore	Singapore, Sts. Settlements	Minneapolis	Australia.
1887	May E. Carleton, M. D	Ming-Chiang, China	New York	Port Chester, N. Y.
1887	*Louise C. Rothweiler	Seoul, Korea	Cincinnati	Newport, Ky.
1887	*Annie Gallimore	Aligarh, India	Baltimore	England.
1888	*Belle J. Allen	Yokohama, Japan	Cincinnati	Bellefontaine, O.
1888	*Annie L. Bing	Sappora, Japan	Cincinnati	Delaware, O.
1888	*Julia A. Bonafield	Foochow, China	Cincinnati	Tunnelton, W. Va.
1888	Kate A. Blair	Calcutta, India	Cincinnati	Painesville, O.
1888	*Augusta Dickerson	Hakodate, Japan	Philadelphia	Philadelphia, Pa.
1888	Elizabeth Maxey	Calcutta, India	New York	London, O.
1888	Emma Mitchell	Wuhu, China	New York	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1888	Sarah Peters	Nankin, China	Northwestern	Princeville, Ill.
1888	Lucy W. Sullivan	Naini Tal, India	Cincinnati	Dayton, O.
1888	Martha A. Sheldon, M. D	Pithoragarh, India	New England	Excelsior, Minn.
1889	*Anna E. Steere	Tai-an	Northwestern	Adrian, Mich.
1889	*Elsie Wood	Lima, Peru	New York	South America.
1889	Mary B. Griffiths	Hirosaki, Japan	Des Moines	Marathon, Ia.
1889	Frances E. Phelps	Sendai, Japan	Des Moines	Sioux City.
1889	Frances O. Wilson	Tientsin, China	Des Moines	Corning, Ia.
1889	Elizabeth A. Bender	Nagoya, Japan	Baltimore	Maryland.
1889	Frances Scott	Gondah, India	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, O.

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1889	Rue E. Sellers	Naini Tal, India	Cincinnati	New Matamoras, O.
1889	Lydia A. Trimble	Nan Chang, China	Des Moines	Galva, Ia.
1889	Ellen Blackstock	Tokyo, Japan	Minneapolis	Shadeland, Ind.
1889	Georgiana Baucus	Yokohama, Japan	New York	Ithaca, N. Y.
1890	Rachel R. Benn, M. D	Tientsin, China	Philadelphia	Edinboro, Pa.
1890	Ida Stevenson, M. D	Tientsin, China	Topeka	Chicago
1890	Ellen M. Lyon, M. D	Foochow, China	Northwestern	Spencer Creek, Mich.
1890	Leonora H. Seeds	Fukuoka, Japan	Cincinnati	Delaware, O.
1890	*Frances A. Perkins	Rangoon, Burma	Des Moines	Indianola, Ia.
1891	M. E. Vickery	Rome, Italy	Northwestern	Evansville, Ind.
1878–1891	Mary F. Swaney	Rosario, S. Am.	Topeka	Manhattan, Kas.
1891	Anna R. Limberger	Puebla, Mexico	Philadelphia	Danville, Pa.
1891	Kate L. Ogburn	Kiu Kiang, China	Des Moines	Union Mills, Ia.
1891	Laura M. White	Chin Kiang, China	Philadelphia	Philadelphia.
1891	*Ella A. Lewis	Seoul, Korea	Philadelphia	New York City.
1891	Louisa Haefer	Jabalpore, India	Philadelphia	Philadelphia.
1891	*Mary Bryan, M. D	Bareilly, India	New York	Ogdensburg, N. Y.
1892	Grace Stephens	Madras, India	Baltimore	India.
1892	Effie Dunmore	Guanajuato, Mexico	Philadelphia	Auburn Corners, Pa.
1892	*Rebecca J. Hammond	South America	Cincinnati	Key's Mills, O.
1892	Josephine O. Paine	Seoul, Korea	New England	Boston, Mass.
1892	Effie G. Young	Peking, China	New England	Waltham, Mass.
1892	Luella M. Masters, M. D	Foochow, China	Northwestern	Thornton, Ind.
1892	Elizabeth Hoge	Gonda, India	Cincinnati	Bellaire, O.
1892	Kate A. Blackburn	Loftcha, Bulgaria	Northwestern	Jacksonville, Ill.
1892	Catherine Wood	Haiderabad, India	Des Moines	Humeston, Ia.

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1892	Ada J. Lauck	Cawnpore, India	Des Moines	Indianola, Ia.
1892	Frances Craig	Calcutta, India	Northwestern	Evanston, Ill.
1892	*Josephine Stahl	Darjeeling, India	Northwestern	Diagonal, Ia.
1892	Christina Lawson	Bombay, India	New York	Green Island, N. Y.
1892	Ella J. Glover	Tientsin, China	New England	Boston, Mass.
1892	Lydia A. Wilkinson	Foochow, China	Des Moines	Diagonal, Ia.
1892	*Mary F. Cutler, M. D.	Seoul, Korea	Cin. & N. York	Pomeroy, Ia.
1893	Mrs. Anna C. Davis	Nan King, China	Northwestern	Oak Park, Ill.
1893	Lula E. Frey	Seoul, Korea	Cincinnati	Bellefontaine, O.
1893	Carrie A. Heaton	Sendai, Japan	Northwestern	Seymour, Ind
1893	Wilma H. Rouse	Foochow, China	Minneapolis	Lakefield, Minn.
1894	*Harriet S. Alling	Tokyo, Japan	Northwestern	Chicago, Ill.
1894	Florence E. Singer	Hakodate, Japan	Philadelphia	Philadelphia, Pa.
1894	Minnie E. Wilson	Foochow, China	Northwestern	Shelbyville, Ind.
1894	*Lillian R. Marks	Ajmere, India	Pacific	San Francisco, Cal.
1894	Anna R. Elicker	Khandwa, India	Des Moines	Muscatine, Ia.
1894	Mabel Allen	Foochow, China	Des Moines	Early, Iowa.
1894	Mary Peters	Foochow, China	Northwestern	Princeville, Ill.
1894	Florence Nichols	Lucknow, India	New England	Lynn, Mass.
1894	Lola May Kidwell	Nagasaki	Cincinnati	Delavan, O.
1894	*Irene Lee	Nagasaki, Japan	New England	Burlington, Vt.
1894	*Julia M. Donahue, M. D	Hing Hua, China	Cincinnati	Fremont, O.
1894	*Celesta Easton	Seetapore, India	Pacific	Riverside, Cal.
1894	*Lily D. Green	Budaon, India	Northwestern	Greencastle, Ind.
1894	*Mary E. Wilson	Bareilly, India	Northwestern	India.
1894	Helen Galloway	Chung King, China	Des Moines	Mt. Ayr, Ia.

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1894	*Fannie E. Meyer	Chung King, China	Des Moines	Elm Grove, Mo.
1895	Gertrude Taft, M. D	Chin Kiang, China	Pacific	Los Angeles, Cal.
1895	Clara J. Collier	Chun King, China	New England	Laconia, N. H.
1895	*Phœbe Wells	Foochow, China	New York	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1895	*Alice Linam	Kucheng, China	New York	Leesburg, Ind.
1895	Kate O. Curts	Budaon, India	New York	New York City.
1895	Laura S. Wright,	Muttra, India	Northwestern	Washington, Ind.
1895	Althea M. Todd	Ing Chung, China	New England	Boston, Mass.
1895	*Alice A. Evans	Haiderabad, India	Des Moines	Russell, Ia.
1895	Miranda Croucher	Tientsin, China	New England	Boston, Mass.
1895	Hu King Eng, M. D	Foochow, China	Philadelphia	Foochow, China.
1895	Eva M. Hardie	Lucknow, India	Cincinnati	New York City.
1896	*Emma Scott, M. D	Muttra, India	Cincinnati	Columbus, O.
1896	Mary Means	Moradabad, India	Cincinnati	Akron, O.
1896	*Mary E. Shockley	Peking, China	Cincinnati	Columbus, O.
1896	*Gertrude Gilman	Peking, China	New England	Springfield, Vt.
1896	Fannie S. Fisher	Kolar, India	Northwestern	Danville, Ill.
1896	Ida Khan, M. D	Kiu Kiang, China	Northwestern	Kiu Kiang, China.
1896	Mary Stone, M. D	Kiu Kiang, China	Des Moines	Kiu Kiang, China.
1896	*Elizabeth M. Benthein	Poona, India	Northwestern	Millbrook. Ill.
1896	Caroline M. Purdy	Puebla, Mexico	Philadelphia	Sunbury, Pa.
1896	Anna Suderstrom	Calcutta, India	New York	New York City.
1896	Elizabeth Nichols	Bombay, India	New York	New York City.
1886	Carrie E. Merrill	Kiu Kiang, China	Northwestern	F int Mich.
1896	Charlotte J. Porter	Bombay, India	Northwestern	Wheaton, Ill.
1896	*Clarissa E. Spencer	Tokyo, Japan	Philadelphia	Philadelphia, Pa.

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1896	*Belle Waidman	Montevideo, S. A.	New York	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1896	Frances G. Wilson	Tokyo, Japan	Cincinnati	Chattanooga, Tenn.
1897	May B. Lilly	Singapore, Sts. Settlements	Minn. & Col. Riv	Portland, O.
1897	*Grace B. Todd	Chung King, China	Northwestern	.....
1897	Lillian Harris, M. D	Seoul, Korea	Cincinnati	Delaware, O.
1897	Mariana Young	Nagasaki, Japan	Cincinnati	Marysville, O.
1897	Nellie Pierce	Seoul, Korea	Philadelphia	Chattanooga, Tenn.
1897	Mary E. Melton	Nagasaki, Japan	Northwestern	Jacksonville, Ill.
1897	Martha Lebeus	Sieng Iu, China	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, O.
1897	Ida M. Bowne	Rome, Italy	Northwestern	Herkimer, N. Y.
1897	Clara Martin	Penang, Straits Settlements	Minneapolis	Hamline, Minn.
1897	Nettie M. Hyde	Jabulpore, India	Des Moines	Iowa.
1897	Martelle Elliot	Poona, India	New York	Van Wert, O.
1897	N. M. Daniel	Tokyo, Japan	Des Moines	Tarr, Iowa.
1897	Melva A. Livermore	Meerut, India	Topeka	Smith Center, Kas.
1897	Laura Bobenhouse	Cawnpore, India	Des Moines	Cambria, Iowa.
1897	Amy Gifford Lewis	Yokohama, Japan	Baltimore	Jamestown, N. Y.
1898	Alice Means	Moradabad, India	Cincinnati	Akron, Ohio.
1898	Marion Newton	Lucknow, India	Northwestern	Grand Lodge, Mich.
1898	Matilda Burman	Brindaban, India	Northwestern	Chicago, Ill.
1898	Isabella D. Longstreet	Foochow, China	Northwestern	Owosso, Mich.
1898	E. Marguerite Glenk	Kucheng, China	New York	Long Island City, N. Y.
1898	L. M. Varney	Hing Hua, China	Topeka	Pueblo, Cal.
1898	Edith A. Hemmingway	Singapore, Sts. Settlements	New England	Springfield, Mass.
1898	Miriam Forster	Asansol, India	Northwestern	Toronto, Canada.
1898	Ida Grace Loper	Seetapore, India	New York	Marilla, N. Y.

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1898	Margaret Carver	Naini Tal, India	Cincinnati	Delaware, O.
1898	Estelle M. Files	Naini Tal, India	New York	Brockport, N. Y.
1899	Helen Ingram	Bareilly, India	Minneapolis	Brighton, England.
1899	Emma Ernsberger, M. D.	Seoul, Korea	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, O.
1899	Jennie Moyer	Calcutta, India	New York	Newark, N. Y.
1899	Clara M. Organ	Shahjahanpore, India	New England	Groveland, Mass.
1899	Mary Putnam Stearns	Lucknow, India	New England	Boston, Mass.
1899	Martha L. Nicolaisen	Sieng Iu, China	Minneapolis	Cincinnati, O.
1899	Caroline Driebelbeis	Kiu Kiang, China	New York	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1899	Mary Eva Gregg	Muttra, India	Northwestern	Danville, Ia.
1899	Carrie J. Samson	Calcutta, India	Des Moines	Vannest, Ia.
1899	Phebe A. Parkinson	Foochow, China	Columbia River	Spokane, Wash.
1899	Ella Manning	Chung King, China	Northwestern	Beloit, Wis.
1899	Louise T. Brouse	Lucknow, India	Northwestern	Irvington, Ind.
1899	Ada J. Southard	Hirosaki, Japan	Des Moines	.....
1899	Bertha E. Kneeland	Rosario, S. A.	New England	Boston, Mass.
1899	Charlotte J. Illingworth	Thandang, Burma	Philadelphia	Burma.
1900	Ida Bohannon	Pachuca, Mexico	Des Moines	Dellon, Kansas.
1900	Josephine Mekkleson	Malange, Angola, Africa	Des Moines	Alta, Iowa.
1900	Laura E. Beazell	Rome, Italy	Northwestern	Ligonier, Ind.
1900	Dora Davis	Loftcha, Bulgaria	Northwestern	Kalamazoo, Mich.
1900	Mrs. Mary C. Meek	Kuala Lampur, Sts. Set'm'ts.	New York	New York City.
1900	Luella R. Anderson	Kuala Lampur, Sts. Set'm'ts.	Cincinnati	Ada, Ohio.
1900	Anna Norton, M. D.	Manila, Philippine Islands	Cincinnati	New York City.
1900	Mary A. Cody	Singapore, Sts. Settlements	Minneapolis	Cleveland, O.
1900	Ida Ellis	Penang, Sts. Settlements	Minneapolis	Greencastle, Ind.
1900	Charlotte J. Holman	Ajmere, India	Pacific	Boston, Mass.

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1900	Luella Rigby	Thandaug, Burma	Des Moines	Mechanicsville, Ia.
1900	Mary V. McKinley	Darjeeling, India	Northwestern	Michigan.
1900	H. Mariana Decker	Chung King, China	Northwestern	Dixon, Ill.
1900	Eva Odgers	Rome, Italy	Northwestern	Chicago, Ill.
1900	Mary L. Rowley	Kiu Kiang, China	Northwestern	Chicago, Ill.
1900	Grace Stockwell	Rangoon, Burma	Des Moines	Murray, Ia.
1900	Mrs. Esther Kim Pak, M. D.	Seoul, Korea	Philadelphia	Seoul, Korea.
1900	Lucy E. Bumgardner	Orizaba, Mexico	Des Moines	Iowa.
1900	Emma E. Martin, M. D.	Peking, China	Northwestern	Otterbein, Ind.
1900	Elizabeth Martin	Peking, China	Northwestern	Otterbein, Ind.
1900	Mary R. Hillman	Seoul, Korea	Cincinnati	Newark, Ohio.
1900	Martha J. Miller	Khandwa, India	Des Moines	Iowa.
1900	Ruth E. Robinson	Bombay, India	Baltimore	Calcutta, India.
1900	Mary E. Williams	Baroda, India	Philadelphia	Grove City, Pa.
1900	Alice J. Hammond	Seoul, Korea	New York	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1900	Lulu A. Miller	Seoul, Korea	New York	Little Falls, N. Y.
1900	Mrs. Cornelia Moots	Manila, Philippine Islands	Northwestern	Bay City, Mich.
1900	Florence Plumb	Foochow, China	New York	Foochow, China.
1900	Ethel M. Estey	Seoul, Korea	New York	.....
1882-1900	Anna P. Atkinson	Tokyo, Japan	Baltimore	Cazenovia, N. Y.
1901	Ella Holbrook	Tokyo, Japan	Pacific	San Francisco, Cal.
1901	Adaline Goetz	Foochow, China	Minneapolis	Fairmount, Minn.
1901	Margaret M. Lewis, M. D.	Bareilly, India	Northwestern	Chicago, Ill.
1901	Anna A. Abbott	Muttra, India	Northwestern	Chicago, Ill.
1901	Jessie Alice Marriott	Ing Chung, China	New England	.....
1901	Emma Stockwell	Rangoon, Burma	Des Moines	Murray, Ia.
1901	Grace W. Woods	Kolar, India	Northwestern	Quincy, Ill.

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1901	Annie S. Winslow	Meerut, India	Topeka	Chicago, Ill.
1901	Agnes Edmonds, M. D	Chung King, China.	Des Moines	Brookfield, Mo.
1901	Christina Williams	Chung King, China	Minneapolis	Duluth, Minn.
1901	Fannie A. Bennett	Meerut, India	Topeka	.....
1901	Susan Collins	Malange, Angola, Africa	Pacific	Pasadena, Cal.
1901	Margaret J. Edmunds	Seoul, Korea	Cincinnati	Toledo, O.
1901	Isabel McKnight	India	Topeka	.....
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1875	Miss Letitia A. Campbell	Peking, China	Died May 18, 1878.
1878	" Susan B. Higgins	Yokohama, Japan	" July 3, 1879.
1876	" L. H. Green, M. D. (Mrs. Cheney)	Bareilly, India	" Sept. 30, 1878.
1881	" Emma Michener	Africa	" Dec. 11, 1881.
1884	" Ella Gilchrist, M. D	Kiu Kiang, China	" April 23, 1884.
1871	" Beulah Woolston	Foochow, China	" Oct. 24, 1886.
1880	" Cecelia Guelfi	Montevideo, S. A	1886.
1881	" Harriet Kerr	Bareilly, India	" Dec. 11, 1886.
1880	" Florence Nickerson	Lucknow, India	" Jan. 31, 1887.
1878	" Harriet Woolston, M. D	Moradabad, India	
1872	" Elizabeth M. Pultz	Moradabad, India	" Nov. 5, 1887.
1883	" Emma J. Everding	Nagasaki, Japan	" Jan. 13, 1892.
1878	" M. E. Layton	Cawnpore, India	" April 22, 1892.
1888	" M. E. V. Pardoe	Tokyo, Japan	" Aug. 31, 1892.
1887	" Mary A. Vance (Mrs. Belknap)	Tokyo, Japan	" Sept. 27, 1892.
1880	" Anna B. Sears	Peking, China	" Dec. 4, 1895.
1884	" Clara A. Downey	India	" Jan. 4, 1896.
1888	" Mary E. Carroll	Bombay, India	" June 12, 1897.
1884	" Linna M. Schenck	Bulgaria	" March 22, 1898.
1881	" Phebe Rowe	India	" April 13, 1898.
1889	" Maud E. Simons	Japan	" July 29, 1898.
1874	" Mary Hastings	Mexico	" Aug. 15, 1898.
1876	" Nettie Ogden	Mexico	1899.
1887	" Mary A. Hughes (Mrs. Ernsberger)	India	1899.
1900	" Martha McKibben	Mexico City, Mo	" Nov. 12, 1900.
1895	" Florence Sterling (Mrs. Leuth)	India	" Nov. 1900.
1898	" Cora Zentmire (Mrs. Brewster)	Angola, Africa	" Jan. 8, 1901.
1869	" Isabella Thoburn	Lucknow, India	" Sept. 1, 1901.
1886	" Delia A. Fuller	Sironcha, India	" Nov., 1901.

Questions to Missionary Applicants.

1. Do you trust that you are inwardly moved by the Holy Ghost to take upon you the work of a foreign missionary ?
2. Do you desire and intend to make this your life work, and are you willing to labor in any field ?
3. Have you an experimental knowledge of salvation through the atonement of Jesus Christ, our Lord ?
4. Have you an earnest desire to win souls to Christ, and how has this desire been manifest in the past ?
5. Do you believe in the doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal Church, as set forth in Section 2 of the Discipline ?
6. Have you a thorough English education ?
7. Have you studied Latin or any modern language; what proficiency have you made, and do you readily acquire the same ?
8. In what schools have you taught and with what success ?
9. Have you a knowledge of music, either vocal or instrumental ?
10. What is the condition of your health ?
11. Have you ever been married ; if so is your husband living ?
12. Will you answer by *testimonials* to each of these questions ?

Constitution

OF

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

This organization shall be called "THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH."

ARTICLE II.—PURPOSE.

The purpose of this Society is to engage and unite the efforts of Christian women in sending missionaries to the women in foreign mission fields of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and in supporting them and native Christian teachers and Bible readers in those fields and all forms of work carried on by the Society.

ARTICLE III.—MEMBERSHIP.

The payment of one dollar annually shall constitute Membership, and twenty dollars Life-Membership. Any person paying one hundred dollars shall become a Manager for Life, and the contribution of three hundred dollars shall constitute the donor a Patron for Life.

ARTICLE IV.—ORGANIZATION.

The organization of this Society shall consist of a General Executive Committee, Co-ordinate Branches, District Associations, Auxiliary Societies, to be constituted and limited as laid down in subsequent articles.

ARTICLE V.—GENERAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

SECTION 1. "The management and general administration of the affairs of the Society shall be vested in a General Executive Committee consisting of a President, Recording Secretary, General Treasurer, the Corresponding Secretary, and two delegates from each Branch, the Literature Committee, and the Superintendent of German Work. The President, Recording Secretary, General Treasurer, and Superintendent of German Work shall be elected annually by the General Executive Committee. The two delegates and reserves shall be elected at the Branch Annual Meetings." Said committee shall meet in Boston. the third Wednesday in April, 1870, and annually, or oftener, thereafter, at such time and place as the General Executive Committee shall annually determine.

SECTION 2. The duties of the General Executive Committee shall be:

First. To take into consideration the interests and demands of the entire work of the Society as presented in the report of the Branch Corresponding Secretaries, and in the estimates of the needs of mission fields; to ascertain the financial condition of the Society; to appropriate its money in accordance with the purposes and method therein indicated; to devise means for carrying forward the work of the Society; fixing the amounts to be raised; employing new missionaries, designating their field of labor, examining the reports of those already employed, and arranging with the several Branches the work to be undertaken by each.

Second. To transact any other business that the interests of the Society may demand, provided all the plans and directions of the committee shall be in harmony with the provisions of the Constitution.

ARTICLE VI.—PERMANENT COMMITTEES OF WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

REFERENCE COMMITTEE.

1. The Committee of Reference shall be composed of the Branch Corresponding Secretaries.

2. It shall meet immediately after the adjournment of the General Executive Committee, and organize by the election of a Chairman and Secretary.

3. All cases of emergency that would come before the General Executive Committee, arising in the interim of its sessions, shall be submitted to this Committee, and decided by a majority vote.

4. The Chairman shall send each resolution that is submitted to the committee to each member, and when all have returned their votes, the Recording Secretary shall declare the result, and record both resolutions and votes.

5. The Committee shall present a full report of its action during the year to the General Executive Committee for approval and permanent record.

CONSTITUTIONAL PUBLICATION COMMITTEE.

1. This Committee shall be composed of the Branch Corresponding Secretaries.

2. It shall meet and organize immediately after the adjournment of the General Executive Committee, by the election of a Chairman and Secretary.

3. This Committee shall take charge of the missionary periodicals of the Society and arrange for the publication of an annual report of the work of the Society. This Committee shall report annually to the General Executive Committee.

4. The publisher shall give the Chairman an itemized report of the receipts and expenditures of the periodicals properly audited, by the first of October. If she finds it necessary to deviate from the published instructions of the General Executive Committee, she shall lay the matter before this committee, and be subject to its direction.

5. A committee of three shall be appointed annually by the Constitutional Publication Committee, to whom shall be intrusted the investment and control of the funds of these publications.

6. The publisher shall commence and close her financial year with October 1.

7. If the office of editor or publisher becomes vacant during the year this committee shall have the power to fill the vacancy.

LITERATURE COMMITTEE.

There shall be a Literature Committee of three whose duty it shall be to provide all the Literature of the Society except the periodicals, and General Executive Committee's Report.

ARTICLE VII.—CO-ORDINATE BRANCHES.

SECTION I. Co-ordinate Branches of this Society on their acceptance of this relationship under the provisions of the Constitution, may be organized in accordance with the following general plan for districting the territory of the church.

NAME.	STATES INCLUDED.	HEADQUARTERS.
New England Branch,	New England States.	Boston, Mass.
New York Branch,	New York, New Jersey.	New York, N. Y.
Philadelphia Branch,	Pennsylvania and Delaware.	Philadelphia, Pa.
Baltimore Branch,	Maryland, District of Columbia, Eastern Virginia and Florida.	Baltimore, Md.
Cincinnati Branch,	Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky, and Tennessee.	Cincinnati, O.
Northwestern Branch,	Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin.	Chicago, Ill.
Des Moines Branch,	Iowa, Missouri, Arkansas, and Louisiana.	Des Moines, Iowa.
Minneapolis Branch.	Minnesota, North and South Dakota.	Minneapolis, Minn.
Topeka Branch,	Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Texas, New Mexico, and Oklahoma.	Topeka, Kan.
Pacific Branch,	California, Nevada, Arizona, and Hawaii.	Los Angeles, Cal.
Columbia River Branch,	Montana, Idaho, Washington, and Oregon.	Portland, Ore.

This plan, however, may be changed by an affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members of the General Executive Committee present at any annual meeting of the same.

SEC. 2. The officers of each Branch Society shall consist of a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, an Auditor and such other officers as shall be necessary for the efficient work of the Branch. These, with the exception of Auditor, shall constitute an Executive Committee for the administration of the affairs of the Branch, nine of whom shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. These officers shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Branch, and shall continue in office until others are chosen in their stead.

SEC. 3. The Executive Committee shall have supervision of the work assigned to the Branch by the General Executive Committee, provide for all the needs, and receive reports from all forms of work carried on by the Society, who, by the plan of the General Executive Committee, are to be supported by the Branch.

SEC. 4. No Branch shall project new work, or undertake the support of new missionaries, except by the direction or with the approval of the General Executive Committee.

SEC. 5. Each Branch may make such By-Laws as may be deemed necessary to its efficiency, not inconsistent with this Constitution.

ARTICLE VIII.—DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

District Associations shall be formed wherever practicable; said associations to have supervision of all auxiliaries within their limits.

ARTICLE IX.—AUXILIARY SOCIETIES,

Any number of women who shall contribute annually may form a society auxiliary to that Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, within whose prescribed territorial limits they may reside, by appointing a President, one or more Vice-Presidents or Managers, a Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, who together shall constitute a local Executive Committee.

ARTICLE X.—RELATING TO THE MISSIONARY AUTHORITIES OF THE CHURCH.

SEC. 1. This Society shall work in harmony with and under the supervision of the authorities of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The appointment, recall, and remuneration of missionaries, and the designation of their fields of labor shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and annual appropriations to mission fields shall be submitted for revision and approval to the General Missionary Committee of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

SEC. 2. All missionaries sent out by this Society shall labor under the direction of the particular Conference or Missions of the Church in which they may be severally employed. They shall be annually appointed by the President of the Conference or Mission, and shall be subject to the same rules of removal that govern the other missionaries.

SEC. 3. All the work of the Woman's Society in foreign lands shall be under the direction of the Conference or Missions, and their committees in exactly the same manner as the work of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Superintendent or Presiding Elder having the same relation to the work and the person in charge that he would have were it in charge of any other member or the Conference or Mission.

SEC. 4. The funds of the Society shall not be raised by collections or subscriptions taken during any of our regular church services, nor in any Sunday-schools, but shall be raised by such methods as the Constitution of the Society shall provide, none of which shall interfere with the contributions of our people and Sunday-Schools for the treasury of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church; and the amount so collected shall be reported by the pastor to the annual Conference, and be entered in a column among the benevolent collections in the annual and general minutes.

SEC. 5. Section 4 of this paragraph (¶362) shall not be interpreted as to prevent the women from taking collections in meetings convened in the interests of their societies; nor from securing memberships and life memberships in audiences where their work is represented, nor from holding festivals, or arranging lectures in the interest of their work.

ARTICLE XI.—CHANGE OF CONSTITUTION.

This Constitution may be changed at any annual meeting of the General Executive Committee, by a three-fourths vote of those present and voting, notice of the proposed change having been given at the previous annual meeting; but Article X shall not be changed except with the concurrence of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

By-Laws of the General Executive Committee.

I. The General Executive Committee shall convene not later than the last week in October.

II. The annual meetings of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church shall be held at such places as the said committee shall elect.

III. The President and Corresponding Secretary of the Branch within whose precincts the meeting of the General Executive Committee is to be held, shall fix the exact date of the meetings of said Committee, and arrange for the anniversary exercises.

IV. The Branch Corresponding Secretaries shall meet at least three days before the time of the meeting of the General Executive Committee for the purpose of nominating the members of the Standing Committees, and planning work for its session, and report the same at the opening of said Committee.

V. The travelling expenses of President and Recording Secretary shall be paid by General Treasurer of Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

VI. The order of business shall be as follows:

1. Calling the roll.
2. Appointment of Standing Committees, *i. e.*, Committee on Publication, Committee on Finance, Committee on Application of Missionary Candidates, Committee on By-Laws.
3. Reception of Memorials and Petitions.
4. Reports of Corresponding Secretaries.
5. Report of Committee of Reference.
6. Report of Constitutional Publication Committee.
7. Reports of Editors and Publishers.
8. Report of Official Correspondents and presentation of information from foreign work.
9. Fixing place for next meeting.
10. Election of President and Secretary, who shall continue in office until the appointment of their successors.

11. Notice of constitutional amendments.

12. Miscellaneous business.

13. Reports of Standing Committees daily, immediately after reading minutes.

VII. The rules of order shall be as follows:

1. Each session shall open and close with devotional exercises.

2. All resolutions to be discussed shall be presented in writing.

3. No member shall be granted leave of absence except by a vote of the entire body.

By-Laws

OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I.—DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society.

2. The Recording Secretary shall keep a full record of all proceedings of the General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and place the same in the safe of the Publication Office.

She shall present at the anniversary of the Society a report of the year's work. She shall also forward to our foreign treasurers, as soon as practicable after adjournment of the General Executive Committee, a copy of the appropriations for each mission.

II.—BRANCH CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES.

3. The Branch Corresponding Secretaries shall superintend all the interests of their respective Branches; conduct the correspondence of the Society with foreign missionaries; be present at all Branch annual, and quarterly meetings, and present a quarterly report of the work of the Branch, and give to the public, or direct to be given, all communications and plans of the business of their respective Branches.

Each Corresponding Secretary shall be required to furnish in her report to the General Executive Committee the following items: Number of Auxiliary Societies, members, life members, honorary patrons and managers, subscribers to the *Woman's Missionary Friend* and the receipts of the Treasurer. In her report of the foreign work she shall include the number of missionaries, Bible-readers, boarding schools, and orphans supported by her Branch.

III.—BRANCH TREASURERS.

1. Branch Treasurers shall be required to publish quarterly in the *Woman's Missionary Friend* their reports of moneys received.

2. The financial year of the Society shall commence October 1st. Branch Treasurers will close their accounts for the year by September 30.

3. The money received from annual memberships shall not be used to make Life Members, Managers or Patrons. Life memberships shall be made by the payment of twenty dollars, given specifically for that purpose. If in installments, the final payment shall be made as soon as practicable, and the membership reported as complete only when that has been done; all the installments to be credited on the Treasurer's book and acknowledged in the *Woman's Missionary Friend.*

4. In case any Branch is unable to meet the obligations it has assumed, any other Branch may, by the action of the Executive Board, be permitted to use its surplus funds in aid of the Branch deficient.

5. Any bequest or donation made to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Branch within whose territory the bequest or donation is made, unless otherwise specified by the donor.

IV.—SECRETARY OF LITERATURE.

There shall be a Secretary of Literature elected by each Branch, whose duty it shall be to assist the Literature Committee through correspondence, by suggestions, by presenting the needs of their respective Branches, and aiding in any other way the Literature Committee may desire. It shall also be the duty of the Branch Literature Secretary to advance the interests and increase the circulation of our literature and publications in every possible way.

V.—FOREIGN TREASURERS.

1. Our Foreign Treasurers shall forward their estimates, properly approved and printed, if possible, to each Corresponding Secretary before October 1.

2. The Treasurers in the foreign field are instructed, upon receiving remittances, to immediately forward receipts for the same; also to forward semi-annually, January 1 and July 1, a financial statement together with balance in United States currency to the Branch Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer. Any appropriation which, for any reason, is not required on the field, shall be so reported by the Treasurer on each April 1 and October 1.

3. The appropriations for the foreign fields shall be paid on the basis of the currency of the country, the exchange therefrom accruing

to our treasury, with the exception of the salaries of the missionaries and buildings, which shall be paid on the basis of American gold.

4. The funds of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society shall be entirely under the control of the General Executive Committee, to be used only for the purposes designated by that committee. Our missionaries shall not exceed in expenditure the amount appropriated by the General Executive Committee. Emergencies arising during the year can be met only by application, properly endorsed by the missionary authorities, to the Committee of Reference.

5. If any surplus funds remain in the Foreign Treasuries from unused appropriations, exchange, or any other source, they must be reported to the Branches, and held subject to the order of the Secretary of the Branch from whose moneys they accrue.

VI.—OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

The Branch Corresponding Secretaries shall correspond with the missionaries, so as to be able to present a full report of the work in each mission, such information to be presented to the General Executive Committee, the fields assigned to the several Secretaries to be arranged by themselves.

VII.—INSTRUCTIONS TO MISSIONARIES.

We call the attention of the missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society especially to Article X, Section 3, of Constitution, in compliance with which they will consult the Superintendent of the mission in which they are laboring on all general plans of their work, and advise with him as to the most effective measures to be taken in the purchase of property, building and any important undertaking belonging to their special interest.

1. They are expected to attend the annual meeting or Conference of their mission, and they may confer with other members of the mission upon all topics connected with their own department, and will report quarterly to the Superintendent.

2. They will be expected to devote their entire time and attention to their legitimate work, as all their temporal necessities will be provided for by the Society.

3. They are required to send quarterly reports to the Corresponding Secretary of the Branch having charge of their work, and the action of the General Executive Committee will be communicated to them through the Recording Secretary of the Reference Committee.

4. They, with the wives of missionaries who labor in the interests of the Society, shall constitute a committee to prepare, at each session of the Conference or annual meeting of the missionaries, the estimates for the

ensuing year, which estimates shall have the sanction of said Conference or annual meeting before being forwarded to the General Executive Committee.

5. They shall incur no expense during the year to be met by this Society for which the estimate has not previously been submitted to, and approved by the General Executive Committee at its annual meeting.

6. They shall credit to the Society all donations received for the support of their work, and annually report the same with their financial statement.

7. All solicitations for funds for special work must be made through the proper official authorities, and missionaries are instructed not to apply to private sources for aid or support of their work.

8. The estimate for conveyances, munshis and teachers shall be included in the estimates for Bible-women and zenana workers.

9. The estimates for support of scholarships shall include the cost of fuel and lights, medicines, and any minor expenses that are included in the expense of maintaining schools.

10. A medical missionary shall be accountable to the Branch from which she is sent. She shall keep an itemized account of all receipts and disbursements, and report them quarterly to the Treasurer of the Mission; any surplus being remitted to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and her medical outfit shall be the property of the same.

11. If there prove to be a manifest unfitness for missionary labor, the General Executive Committee may cancel its obligations to a missionary whom it has appointed, three months' notice having been given to such appointee by the Committee of Reference, return passage to be paid by the Society, provided she return at the expiration of the three months.

12. A lady missionary desiring her expenses paid by the Society for a return home from any other cause than that of ill health, must secure permission from the General Executive Committee or Committee of Reference, through the Corresponding Secretary of the Branch supporting her.

13. All missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society are instructed not to adopt any child as their own, and are asked to give a promise that they will keep this rule.

14. All rules pertaining to the relations of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church with its missionaries shall be published in the general annual report.

15. The Corresponding Secretary of the Branch by which any missionary is sent shall be required to sign the following contract: I, ——— ——–, Corresponding Secretary of ——— Branch, by which

the money is raised for the support of ——, agree, on the part of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, to pay the traveling expenses of ——— from the time of her leaving home to that of her arrival in her field of labor, and also her salary from the latter date. In case of illness, I agree, on the part of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, to submit a resolution to the General Executive Committee, or in the interim of its sessions, to the Committee of Reference, asking the privilege of her return home. Such permission being granted, I agree to pay her return passage ; and in case her relations to the Society are harmonious, her salary for the first year shall be $350.

If her health demands her to remain in this country, the second year she shall receive $300 dollars, and if her detention at home is necessary for a longer period, her case shall be in the hands of her Branch for adjustment.

In case of emergency demanding her immediate return home, she shall bring a certificate of disability from a physician and the Superintendent of the mission.

We agree to furnish our missionaries with necessary outfit and $100 for furniture if needed, the same to be the property of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

16. We recommend, when practicable, that such an arrangement be made for the duties of our missionaries during the first year's service as shall allow them considerable time for the study of the language, and that their salary for that year shall be $400, with $150 for incidentals. Medical missionaries shall from the first receive full salary.

17. Each returned missionary shall be expected to attend the first General Executive Committee session after her return, and her traveling expenses to and from the place of meeting shall be met by the Branch supporting her, unless otherwise provided for. Missionaries returning home will please notice that the charges on freight and duties are very large and are requested to make these as light as possible, leaving heavy and unnecessary things in the country where they have been working.

18. We accept the relation of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society to the authorities of the church, and to our workers in the field, as interpreted by the delegated conference in India, in their session of 1881, as follows :

WHEREAS, Certain usages have grown up and been found acceptable and successful in connection with our older mission field in India, we deem it expedient to formulate the same in the following rules :

1. In general : The position of a lady missionary, placed in charge of work in connection with any of our circuits or stations, is the same as

that of a second missionary or "junior preacher" to whom special work is assigned.

2. In particular : The general plan of work, such as establishing new schools, employing and dismissing head teachers, arranging terms of tuiton, board, etc., and preparing a course of study, when these matters are not fixed by the Educational Committee, selecting classes of people among whom work may be more successfully carried on, arranging dispensaries and deciding the proportion of medical work to be given to natives and Europeans, Christians, and non-Christians, etc., all such *general plans* shall be arranged by the lady in charge of the special departments of work, after free consultation with the Superintendent or Presiding Elder.

3. The lady missionary in charge of work has full liberty to do the work assigned her in her own way, and to carry out the internal arrangement of her department in the manner which she deems best adapted to secure success.

4. The relation of the Superintendent or Presiding Elder to the work under the charge of a lady is the same as it would be were it under the charge of a member of Conference—he having a general advisory supervision, auditing the accounts (when not done by trustees), making suggestions, etc., exactly as with all the other work of his district.

5. Lady missionaries in charge of work, and all missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, are appointed by the President of Conference, at the same time and in the same manner that the appointments of Conference are made. Should, however, a President of Conference at any time decline so to appoint, the Superintendent or Presiding Elder in Council will arrange the same.

6. All new buildings or expensive repairs or changes shall receive the sanction of Superintendent or Presiding Elder, even though no appropriations of money be asked.

7. A class of laborers are employed in our work, known as "assistants." In the employment or dismissal of these ladies, the consent of the Superintendent of Mission or of the Presiding Elder must be secured. They may be transferred by the Presiding Elder, with the consent of the lady in charge of the department in which they are employed. When these lady assistants, being members of our church, by several years of faithful service, have come to be received as belonging permanently to our body of laborers, they may, on the recommendation of the Woman's Society, when such exists, or by quarterly Conference, be formally recognized by Conference, and appointed the same as women missionaries are.

8. In case of a transfer of a woman missionary or an "assistant" from one Conference or charge to another, a written permission shall be secured, signed by Superintendent or Presiding Elder in whose jurisdiction the person may be employed, when, according to the condition in Rule 7, the engagement may be completed.

OFFICIAL RELATIONS OF LADY MISSIONARIES.

1. Definition of relations of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, as given by the Bishops in May, 1881.

"To the ladies of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society :

"To your questions we respectfully reply as follows :

"1st. We take the liberty to refer you to our action bearing date November 22, 1877, a copy of which is as follows :

'TEACHERS IN MISSION SCHOOLS.'

"1. In the judgment of the Bishops it is not within the right of the Superintendent of a mission to remove lay teachers from the schools to which they have been appointed, nor to interfere authoritatively with the internal arrangements of the schools, unless such right be expressly granted by the missionary authorities at New York.

"2. In case of difference between appointee and the Mission (including the Superintendent), which cannot be adjusted between the parties without unreasonable delay, we recommend that such difference, with the papers and facts, be referred by the parties to the Bishop in charge for final decision.

"3. It is our judgment that the missionaries sent by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society should be permitted to be present at the meetings of the Mission and to speak on all matters relating to their work. Most respectfully and sincerely,

"WILLIAM L. HARRIS."

REQUIREMENTS OF MISSIONARY CANDIDATES.

1. Each Branch shall appoint a standing committee of five, of which the Branch Corresponding Secretary shall be chairman, who shall investigate the case of any candidate within the limits of the Branch, and shall supply such candidate with blank for health certificate and constitutional questions, to be filled out and answered by her ; and when practicable, a personal interview shall be had with the woman by two or more of the committee before her papers are forwarded to the Reference Committee or the committee appointed at the General Executive meeting. The Corresponding Secretary of the Branch presenting missionary candidates shall have a personal interview with each woman presented before her final appointment to a foreign field.

2. A missionary candidate must believe herself Divinely called to the work of a foreign missionary, and assert her belief that she is actuated only by a desire to act in accordance with God's will.

3. She must indicate her ability to work in a foreign field by Christian usefulness at home.

4. She must declare her intention to make foreign missonary work the service of her effective years, and agree to give at least five years of continuous service, as a single woman, to the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, unless prevented by ill-health; this is not to be understood in the sense that the obligation to remain in the field ceases at five years, but that her obligation to refund passage and outfit money is binding for that length of time; she must also assert her willingness to labor in any field, though her preference is always to be taken into account.

5. The age of a candidate must not be less than twenty-five years. A thorough intellectual training, with a facility in acquiring languages, and a remarkable ability for Christian work, may be considered as a sufficient reason for deviation from this rule.

6. Financial and executive ability, and power of adaptation to circumstances, are essential qualifications.

7. She must present a certificate of health from a competent physician, and give satisfactory answers to the medical questions authorized by the General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

8. Every missonary candidate is requested to sign the following contract:

"I,————————, agree to conform to the above requirements and conditions while in the employ of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and failing in this, to refund the amount of outfit and passage money."

9. After the adoption of a missionary candidate, she shall be regarded as under the direction of the General Executive Committee, and of the Committee of Reference, in the interim of the sessions of that committee.

10. The case of any accepted candidate not sent out during the year, shall be brought before the General Executive Committee at its next session.

11. The application of a missionary candidate with corresponding testimonials shall cover the following particulars: Health, adaptability to people and circumstances, executive ability, intellectual qualities and culture, religious experience and usefulness, and general fitness for the work.

First Health, attested by a properly certified health certificate.

Second. Personal religious experience. Belief in the doctrines and identification with the membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church, experience and efficiency in Christian work.

Conviction and call to missionary work, and the intention to give to it the service of her life.

Third. Testimonials are further necessary as to grade of scholarship, whether it includes the study of Latin or any modern language, with facility in its acquirement; knowledge of music, vocal or instrumental. Diploma of scholarship.

Certificate of experience and success in teaching.

Fourth. Testimonials are also required as to executive ability, adaptability to people and circumstances, and whatever personal qualities are necessary for greatest efficiency in Christian work.

VIII.—PUBLICATIONS OF THE SOCIETY.

1. The periodicals of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society shall be known as the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, *Children's Missionary Friend*, *Der Frauen-Missions-Freund*, and *The Study*.

2. The editors and publishers shall be elected annually by the General Executive Committee.

3. The territory of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society shall be divided into three sections—The Eastern section to be composed of New England, New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore Branches; the Central section, Cincinnati and Northwestern Branches; the Western section, Minneapolis, Des Moines, Topeka, Pacific and Columbia River Branches.

4. The Literature Committee shall be nominated by the delegates from the above sections, and elected by the General Executive Committee for a term of three years on the rotation plan. When, of necessity, a member of a committee must resign before expiration of time, she shall notify the Branch corresponding secretaries throughout her section at least one month before the annual meetings.

5. In the interim of the sessions of the General Executive Committee, the management of the society's periodicals shall be under the control of the Publication Committee provided by the Constitution.

6. The proceedings of the General Executive Committee shall be reported in the December number of the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, excluding appropriations and unimportant details.

7. The minutes of the General Executive Committee shall be incorporated in the Annual Report.

8. The traveling expenses of the editors of *Woman's Missionary Friend*, *Children's Missionary Friend*, *Frauen-Mission-Freund*, and

publisher of these papers, and members of the Literature Committee, to and from the sessions of the General Executive Committee, shall be paid from the funds of these publications.

9. In no case shall the amount used in publishing interests, or for any other demands, infringe upon a capital of $5,000, to be retained in the treasury of the Society's publications.

10. There shall be a Constitutional Publication Committee, consisting of the Corresponding Secretary of each Branch, to take charge of the missionary periodicals of the Society and to arrange for the publication of an annual report of the work of the Society. This committee shall report annually to the General Executive Committee.

11. These By Laws may be amended at any meeting of the General Executive Committee by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

IX.—ZENANA PAPER.

1. The Constitutional Publication Committee shall take charge of the funds raised for the endowment of the Zenana Paper and control of their investment and expenditure, and have the general supervision of the interests of the paper.

2. The Corresponding Secretary of each branch shall have the control of the investment of the funds raised for the support of the Zenana Paper within the bounds of her Branch, with the approval of the Constitutional Publication Committee; the interest on investments to be paid semi-annually to the Treasurer of the Zenana Paper.

3. The Woman's Conference in India shall nominate a committee consisting of five persons, three ladies and two gentlemen, one of whom shall be the publisher, to supervise the interests of the paper and arrange with the Press Committee for editing and publishing the Zenana Paper in the various languages and dialects required; these nominations to be subject to the approval of the Constitutional Publication Committee in America.

4. The Corresponding Secretary of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society in India shall send an Annual Report of the Zenana Paper to the Chairman of the Constitutional Publication Committee, with the amount of circulation and items of interest, in time to be presented to the Annual Meeting of the General Executive Committee in America.

5. The Treasurer in India of the funds of the Zenana Paper shall furnish the Constitutional Publication Committee an Annual Report of the receipts and expenditures of said paper in time to be presented to the General Executive Committee meeting in America.

6. A report of the Zenana Paper shall be published in the Annual Report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

7. The Treasurer of the Zenana Paper funds in America shall send the interest on the investments direct to the Treasurer of the Zenana Paper in India, only upon order of the Chairman of the Constitutional Publication Committee.

Form of Annuity.

WHEREAS,.....of.....has donated to and paid into the treasury of the.....Branch of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church the sum of..... Dollars.

Now, Therefore, the said.....Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in consideration thereof, hereby agrees to pay to said.....during..... natural life interest on the aforesaid sum at the rate of.....per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, said payments to cease on the death of said.....and the said sum donated by.....as aforesaid is to be considered as an executed gift to said Society and to belong to said Society from this date, without any account or liability therefor.

.....Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church by,

Act of Incorporation.

STATE OF NEW YORK,
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss.

We, the undersigned, Caroline R. Wright, Anna A. Harris, Sarah K. Cornell and Harriet B. Skidmore, of the City of New York, and Susan A. Sayre, of the City of Brooklyn, being all citizens of the United States of America, and citizens of the State of New York, do hereby, pursuant to, and in conformity with the Act of the Legislature of the State of New York passed on April 12th, 1848, entitled, "An Act for the incorporation of benevolent, charitable and missionary societies;" and the several Acts of the said Legislature amendatory thereof, associate ourselves together and form a body politic and corporate, under the name and title of "The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church," which we certify is the name or title by which said Society shall be known in law. And we do hereby further certify that the particular business and object of said Society is to engage and unite the

efforts of Christian women in sending female missionaries to women in foreign mission fields of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and in supporting them and native Christian teachers and Bible readers in those fields.

That the number of managers to manage the business and affairs of said Society shall be seventeen, and that the names of such managers of said Society, for the first year of its existence, are: Lucy A. Alderman, Sarah L. Keen, Ellen T. Cowen, Hannah M. W. Hill, Mary C. Nind, Elizabeth K. Stanley, Harriet M. Shattuck, Isabel Hart, Caroline R. Wright, Harriet B. Skidmore, Rachel L. Goodier, Annie R. Gracey, Harriet D. Fisher, Sarah K. Cornell, Anna A. Harris, Ordelia M. Hillman and Susan A. Sayre.

That the place of business or principal office of said Society shall be in the City and County of New York, in the State of New York.

Witness our hand and seal this 20th day of December, A. D., 1884.

CAROLINE R. WRIGHT, [SEAL]
ANNA A. HARRIS, "
HARRIET B. SKIDMORE, "
SUSAN A. SAYRE, "
SARAH K. CORNELL, "

STATE OF NEW YORK, }
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss.

On the 20th day of December, 1884, before me personally came and appeared Caroline R. Wright, Anna A. Harris, Harriet B. Skidmore and Sarah K. Cornell, to me known, and to me personally known to be the individuals described in and who executed the foregoing certificate, and they severally duly acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

ANDREW LEMON,
[NOTARY'S SEAL.] *Notary Public*, (58)
New York County.

STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF KINGS, }
CITY OF BROOKLYN, } ss.

On the 22nd day of December, A. D., 1884, before me came Susan A. Sayre, to me known, and known to me to be one of the individuals described in and who executed the foregoing certificate, and duly acknowledged to me that she executed the same.

F. G. MINTRAM,
[NOTARY'S SEAL.] *Notary Public for King's County.*

STATE OF NEW YORK, }
COUNTY OF KINGS, } ss.

I, Rodney Thursby, Clerk of the County of Kings and Clerk of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, in and for said county (said court being a Court of Records) DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that F. G. Mintram, whose name is subscribed to the Certificate of Proof, or acknowledgment of the annexed instrument and thereon written, was at the time of taking such proof or acknowledgment, a Notary Public of the State of New York, in and for the said County of Kings, dwelling in said County, commissioned and sworn, and duly authorized to take the same. And, further, that I am well acquainted with the handwriting of such Notary, and verily believe the signature to the said Certificate is genuine, and that said instrument is executed and acknowledged according to the laws of the State of New York.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said County and Court, this 24th day of December, 1884.

[SEAL] RODNEY THURSBY, *Clerk.*

[Endorsed.]

THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Certificate of Incorporation, December 27, 1884.

I, the undersigned, one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, for the first Judicial District, do hereby approve the within certificate, and do consent that the same be filed pursuant to the provisions of an Act of the Legislature of the State of New York, entitled, "An Act for the incorporation of benevolent, charitable, scientific and missionary societies," passed April 12th, 1848, and the several Acts extending and amending said Act. Dated New York, Dec. 26, 1884.

ABM. R. LAWRENCE, *J. S. C.*

STATE OF NEW YORK,
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } *ss.*

I, James A. Flack, Clerk of the said City and County, and Clerk of the Supreme Court of said State for said County, do certify that I have compared the preceding with the original Certificate of Incorporation of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, on file in my office, and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of such original. Endorsed, filed and recorded, Dec. 27th, 1884, 1 hour, 25 minutes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and affixed my official seal, this 12th day of November, 1888.

[SEAL] JAMES A. FLACK, *Clerk.*

BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE CORPORATION, 1896–7.

HARRIET B. SKIDMORE,
SUSAN A. SAYRE,
ELLA J. KNOWLES,
ORDELIA M. HILLMAN,
HELEN V. EMANS.
SARAH K. CORNELL,
ETTIE F. BALDWIN,
ANNIE R. GRACEY,
JULIA L. MCGREW,
MARY H. BIDWELL,
ANNA A. HARRIS.

Forms for Will and Devise.

Special attention is called to the following form of bequest and Devise required by the incorporation of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

I hereby give and bequeath to the "Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church," incorporated under the laws of the State of New York .... Dollars to be paid to the Treasurer of said Society, whose receipt shall be sufficient acquittance to my executors therefor.

FORM OF DEVISE OF REAL ESTATE.

I hereby give and devise to the "Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church," (describe land, etc., intended to be given to the Society) and to their successors and assigns forever.

NOTE.—Prompt notice of all bequests and devises should be given to the Corresponding Secretary of the Branch within which the donor resides.

Mrs. H. B. Skidmore, 230 West 59th street, New York, is the Treasurer of the WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY, with power to sign release to executors, through whom the Society may receive bequests, and to perform such other acts as are required by the Act of incorporation, and which cannot be legally executed by Branch Treasurers.

The following resolution was adopted at the General Executive Committee at Springfield, Mass., and ordered published in the Annual Report:

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of New York, be authorized to accept and receive all gifts and legacies to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, or to any Branch thereof, and to give all suitable receipts, releases and acquittances therefor, under the corporate seal, or otherwise; and also, by the direction of a majority of the members of the Reference Committee given either at a meeting of said Committee, or separately by the individuals comprising the same, to execute under the corporate seal, acknowledge and deliver conveyances or releases of any land or property owned, held or claimed by the said Society or any other instrument necessary or useful for the promotion of the purposes of said Society.

LUCY A. ALDERMAN,
HARRIET B. SKIDMORE,
SARAH L. KEEN,
ELIZA P. STEVENS,
ELLEN T. COWEN,
SARAH E. CRANDON,
MARY S. HUSTON,
CHARLOTTE S. WINCHELL,
MATILDA WATSON,
ELIZABETH M. CROW.

Proposed Changes in Constitution.

Notice of the following changes in Constitution were given at the General Executive Committee held in Philadelphia, 1901.

Notice is hereby given that the following change is asked in Article III of the Constitution: In place of the words, "The payment of one dollar annually shall constitute membership," insert the words, "The payment of ten cents a month shall constitute membership." When this is adopted a by-law shall be framed, providing that twenty cents of this amount *may* be used as contingent funds.

MRS. L. P. HAUSER,
MRS. I. W. JOYCE,
MRS. L. R. MCKINSTRY.

Mrs. Keen presented the following proposed constitutional changes:

Articles first and second under Constitutional Publication Committee to remain the same, but Article third modified to read:

Article 3—All cases of emergency concerning publications arising in the interim of the sessions of the General Executive Committee shall be submitted to the Constitutional Publication Committee, and the case shall be decided by the majority vote.

Article 4.—As Article 3. This committee shall take charge of the missionary periodicals of the Society, and arrange for the publication of an annual report of the work of the Society, and shall have supervision of all business concerning the publications.

This committee shall report annually to the General Executive Committee.

Article 5. As Article 4. Same as printed to last line, where add: "She shall report semi-annually to the Constitutional Publication Committee."

Article 6. Same as Article 5.

Article 7. Same as Article 6.

Article 8. If the office of editor, publisher or member of Literature Committee becomes vacant during the year, this committee shall have power to fill the vacancy. Add at the end of Literature Committee: "And shall report semi-annually to the Constitutional Publication Committee."

Mrs. O'Neal gave notice of change of constitution in Article 5, to insert after Literature Committee, "Superintendent of Little Light Bearers."

Special Resolutions Adopted at the General Executive Committee.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 28–Nov. 6, 1901.

EXPENSES OF DELEGATES TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Mrs. Crandon presented for consideration a resolution which had been adopted by the Reference Committee, as follows: In order to meet the traveling expenses of officers, delegates and missionaries to the General Executive meetings and other legitimate expenses in connection with the general work of the Society, it was voted that a sum equal to one and one-half cents per member, not including young women's and children's societies, shall be paid by the branches annually to the general treasurer of the Society.

LITERATURE AT CONVENTIONS.

WHEREAS, There is a growing demand for the exhibition and sale of our literature at the various public gatherings and conventions held yearly throughout the country.

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of Literature within whose borders the convention is held to have the entire charge of all such exhibitions and orders, the expenses to be borne by the Branch where the convention meets. When, as frequently occurs, the Epworth League or Student Volunteer or other convention is held outside of our own country, this duty shall belong to the standing Literature Committee, the expenses to be met from the treasury of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

AUDITING TRAVELING EXPENSES.

Resolved, That an Auditing Committee of three shall be appointed by the Chair, whose duty it shall be to audit the expense accounts of all members of the General Executive Committee. Legitimate expenses shall be limited to ordinary rates of travel, necessary sleeping-car fees and one dollar per day for meals when necessary. All bills of expense shall be endorsed by the Branch corresponding secretary.

PERMANENT FUND FOR FOLTS INSTITUTE.

WHEREAS, The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has received the magnificent gift of Folts Institute at Herkimer, N. Y., and believing that it should become a great factor in our work; therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend that a fund called the "Permanent Scholarship Fund" be raised to provide for the expenses of such pupils of Folts Institute as are unable to meet their expenses, and that we recommend this appointment: One hundred dollars for each District of the New England, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Cincinnati Branches; one hundred dollars for each Conference in the Northwestern Branch; fifty dollars for each Conference in the Minneapolis, Des Moines and Topeka Branches, and one hundred dollars each for the Pacific and Columbia River Branches—to be raised within three years. We further recommend that, as far as practicable, gifts from individuals rather than from auxiliaries be solicited in the raising of this fund.

	New Eng	New	Phil de	Balt	Cinc	Nor we	Des M	Min	Top	Pac	Col bia	Tot
Africa		$600				$350	$325			$400		$1,675
India. North India Conference	$6,626	$11,742	$2,844	$1,454	*$9,525	$9,171	$2,457	$914	$820	$1,237	$480	$47,020
Northwest India "	1,844	3,002	1,490	718	2,160	10,625	4,228	1,127	4,620	5,760	630	36,194
Bombay "	1,060	6,382	5,669	960	1,250	5,885	9,438	996		500	1,125	32,182
South India "	1,757	4,534	485	4,355	2,100	8,580	8,269	120	1,725	160		27,085
Bengal "	600	3,690	250		*3,640	8,405	610	500	120	500		13,815
Burma "		80	600			900	1,730	129	500	1,560		5,490
Total for India	$11,857	$29,330	$11,338	$7,482	$18,475	$33,566	$26,727	$3,774	$7,785	$9,717	$2,185	$161,286
Malaysia Conference	$1,237	$600	$780		*$1,255	$652		$5,873			$1,207	$11,604
Manilla "			200		1,400	400						2,000
China. North China Conference	$4,750	$2,300	$1,850	$200	*$1,550	$3,300	$1,250		$1,350	$30		$16,580
Central China "	170	3,905	1,165	195		7,145	1,685	$70	350	680		15,365
West China "	1,170					1,420	2,375	1,055				6,020
Foochow "	1,951	4,910	$1,415	1,918	2,010	7,795	4,365	2,150	550	75	$1,585	28,719
Hing Hua "	2,575	50		420	2,700	2,310		1,700	1,200	170		11,125
Total for China	$10,616	$11,165	$4,430	$2,728	*$6,260	$21,970	$9,675	$4,975	$3,450	$955	$1,585	$77,809
Korea	$2,765	$5,623	$1,645	$785	*$4,515	$855		$75		$80		$16,343
Japan. North Japan Conference	$794	$3,035	$2,696	$232	$1,100	$850	$2,472	$120	$1,425	$40	$190	$12,954
Central Japan "	2,886	2,186	3,396	2,847	1 600	6,608	2,871	1,765	1,340	622	260	26,381
Southern Japan "	280	3,180	290	250	6,455	3,010				80		13,545
Total for Japan	$3,960	$8,401	$6,382	$3,329	$9,155	$10,468	$5,343	$1,885	$2,765	$742	$450	$52,880
Mexico	$3,010	$2,049	$5,821	$100	$3,590	$5,370	$2,159					$22,099
South America	2,553	4,557	283			4,483		$40	$2,300			14,176
Bulgaria	300	215	355			2,695						3,605
Italy	358	1,760	300	130	300	5,400	200		100			8,548
Switzerland						250						250
South Germany						50						50
North Germany						250						250
Norway										$50		50
Conditional		1,000	466	446		3,241		878	†3,000	681	$48	10,210
Total from Branches	$36,656	$65,350	$32,000	$15,000	*$44,950	$90,000	$44,429	$17,000	$19,400	$12,575	$5,475	$382,835
Thank Offering							$5,571				$460	$6,031
							$50,000				$5,935	$388,866

*See *printed* appropriation, $44,830.
†This includes $1,000 "for Miss McKnight," who is credited to no country. See *printed* appropriations.

LIST OF REAL ESTATE

Belonging to Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, M. E. Church.

NORTH INDIA CONFERENCE.

Almorah, Sanitarium	$ 4,000 00
Budoan,	5,850 00
Bareilly Hospital, Orphanage, Home, etc	25,000 00
Bhot	1,000 00
Bijnour,	3,000 00
Hardul	300 00
Gonda,	2,500 00
Lucknow, College, Home, etc.	56,600 00
Moradabad,	9,500 00
Naini Tal, Boarding School, etc.	26,600 00
Pauri,	8,250 00
Pithoragarh, Angeline Newman Home	4,000 00
Seetapore,	3,400 00
Shahjahanpore Bidwell Memorial	6,150 00
Total	$155,950 00

NORTHWEST INDIA.

Agra	$ 2,600 00
Aligarh, Louisa Soutse School,	12,700 00
Ajmere	4,450 00
Allahabad	6,860 00
Brindaban, Calvin Home	4,000 00
Cawnpore,	32,000 00
Meerut	10,000 00
Muttra	13,300 00
Total	$83,710 00

SOUTH INDIA.

Hyderabad,	$10,000 00
Jubbulpore	5,500 00
Kolar, William Gamble, Deaconess Home	5,000 00
Madras, Harriet Bond Skidmore Memorial School and Home	20,000 00
Sironcha, Mary J. Clark Memorial	4,500 00
Total	$45,000 00

BOMBAY CONFERENCE.

Bombay Boarding School and Home	$25,000 00
Baroda Orphanage	2,000 00
Khandwa	500 00
Total	$27,500 00

BENGAL-BURMA CONFERENCE.

Asansol	$1,660 0
Mozaffurpore	500 00
Rangoon School and Home	15,000 00
Thandaung	5,000 00
Total	$22,160 00

MALAYSIA.

Singapore	$ 3,000 00
Total, India and Malaysia	$344,320 00

NORTH CHINA.

Peking, Home and School	$14,000 00
" Hospital	5,000 00
Tientsin, Hospital	14,000 00
" Home and School	5,000 00
Tsun Hua, Hospital	3,000 00
" Home and School	5,000 00
Total	$46,000 00

CENTRAL CHINA.

Chinkiang, Home and Hospital	$10,000 00
Nanking, Home and School	5,500 00
Kiu Kiang	8,500 00
Elizabeth S. Danforth Hospital	4,000 00
Total	$28,000 00

FOOCHOW.

Girl's Boarding School and Residence	$14,000 00
Woman's School and Residence	4,500 00
Two Hospitals and Residence	11,100 00
Mary E. Crook Memorial Orphanage	3,100 00
Hok Chiang Girls' School	4,500 00
Kucheng Girls' School	3,950 00
Kucheng Woman's Training School, etc	2,250 00
Kucheng Woman's and Girls' School Compound	722 00
Total	$44,122 00

HING HUA CONFERENCE.

Hing Hua School and Home	$3,000 00
Sieng Iu School and Home	2,000 00
Total	$5,000 00

WEST CHINA.

Chung King Home	$ 4,000 00
Chung King School Building	2,000 00
Chung King, William A. Gamble Hospital	5,000 00
Total	$11,000 00
Total for China	$134,122 00

KOREA.

Seoul Home and School	$10,000 00
" Hospital	2,000 00
Baldwin Chapel	500 00
East Gate	2,000 00
Peng Yang	500 00
Total for Korea	$15,000 00

NORTH AND CENTRAL JAPAN.

Hakodate, School Building and Home	$13,500 00
Tokyo, Aoyama	20,000 00
" Tsukiji	4,000 00
Industrial School	8,000 00
Asakusa	300 00
Sendai	3,000 00
Yokohama	10,000 00
Yamabucha	1,000 00
Nagoya	2,600 00
Total	$57,400 00

SOUTHERN JAPAN.

Nagasaki Home and School	$27,000 00
Fukuoka Home and School	10,300 00
Koga Orphanage	2,500 00
Total	$39,800 00
Total for Japan	97,200 00

MEXICO.

Mexico City School, etc	$35,000 00
Pachuca	30,000 00
Puebla	26,000 00
Guanajuato	$ 3,000 00
Total	$94,000 00

SOUTH AMERICA.

Montevideo, School and Home	$21,000 00
Rosario " " "	10,000 00
Total for South America	$31,000 00

BULGARIA.

Loftcha, Home and School	$ 6,500 00

ITALY.

Rome, Orphange and School	$15,000 00

SUMMARY.

India and Malaysia	$344,320 00
China	134,122 00
Korea	15,000 00
Japan	97,200 00
Mexico	94,000 00
South America	31,000 00
Bulgaria	6,500 00
Italy	15,000 00
Total	$737,142 00

Rules and Pronunciation.

PRONUNCIATION OF INDIAN NAMES FURNISHED BY MISS THOBURN.

I find it difficult to give the pronunciation of Indian names in English, as requested, because some of the sounds cannot well be indicated by the spelling. A few rules may be helpful, not only in pronouncing the names already given, but those that may occur in letters and reports hereafter.

A has two sounds, a short like u in tub, and a long, as in far.
E has the continental sound, like the long e in there.
I is short as in sit, and long when accented, as i in machine.
O is always long as in no.
U short as in full, ù long as in rule.
Ai as i in mice.
Au as ou in our.

The syllable containing the long vowels is always accented. If there are no long vowels in a word or if all are long, the syllables have equal quality.

There is some difficulty in applying these rules, because the long vowel is not often printed with the accent in our reports, and so cannot be distinguished from the short, and because some names are spelled in English and some in Roman-Urdu.

The stations mentioned in our Indian Mission report are pronounced, as nearly as they can be spelled, as follows :

Kamá on	Kamáwan	Badá on	Badown
Naini Tal	Nynee Tall	Bilsí	Bilsee
Bhábar	Bhaw-bar	Kakraulí	Kukroulee
Dwára Háth	Dwara Haut	Ghotá	Ghota
Garhwál	Gurhwall	Bissoulí	Bissoulee
Srinagar	Sree-nuggur	Saiswàn	Sicewan
Pithoragarh	Pithora Gurh	Ujainí	Ujiney
Rohilcund	Rohilcund	Data Ganj	Data Gugje
Bijnúr	Bijnour	Oudh	Ouas in Our
Morádabád	Morad'abad'	Laknau	Lucknow
Chandousí	Chundowseé	Kànpur	Cawnpoor
Amroha	Umroha	Rái Barelí	Roy Barailly
Sambbal	Sumbhul	Bárabankí	Bara-Bunkee
Barelí	Barailly	Sitàpùr	Seetapoor
Philibít	Philibeet	Hardú'í	Hur-doo-dee
Aunia	Ounia	Gonda	Goanda
Fathganj	Futhagunje	Nawábganj.	Nowáb-gunje
Khera Bajhera	Khaira Bajhaira	Baraich	Baraich
Sháhjahánpúr	Shah'-jehan'-poor		

RULES FOR PRONOUNCING WORDS IN THE FOOCHOW DIALECT, FURNISHED BY MRS. DR. BALDWIN.

a has the sound of a in far.
á " " " " a in fat.
e " " " " a in play.
è " " " " e in met.
i " " " " i in machine.
í " " " " i in pin.
o " " " " o in bone.
ó has the sound of aw.
u " " " " oo in fool.
ë has a guttural sound, like oe in Goethe
ü has the sound of the French u in l'une
au has the sound of ow in cow.
ai " " " " i in kind.

Hok-Chiang	Hoke-Cheang	Sia Sek-ong	Sea-ah Sake ong
Kucheng	Koo-cheng	Li Chá Mi	Lee Chá Me
Tiong-lók	Teong-lock	Kiu-Kiang	Kew Keang
Hü Pá Mi	Hü Paw Me	Wong Ting Ai	Wong Ting Eye
Li Yu Mi	Lee You-Me		

It is almost invariably correct to accent on the last syllable of the name of place.

JAPAN.

Nagasaki	Nang-a-sá'-kee	Kiushiu	Qú-shoo
Tsukiji*	Skee-gee	Liu Kiu	Loo-choo
Tsurunga	Suro ong'-gä	Yezo	Yes'so
Shikoku	She-ko-ku	Dai	Dye

Kawatsei Sui (Quassui) Jo Gokke. Name of Nagasaki School.

* "Ts" has German "Z" sound. Fu-Ku-o-ka.

PRONUNCIATION OF SPANISH NAMES FURNISHED BY MRS. REV. D. KEMBLE.

Puebla	Pwabiä	Rosario	Ro-sar-io
Leon	Layon	Montevideo	Monta vid-a-o
Miraflores	Mee-rahflór-es	Buenos Ayres	Bwa-nos-ayres
Queretaro	Ker é tar-o	Orizaba	Ori-za-va
Real	Rá-äl	Pachuca	Pa-choo-ka
Del Monte	Del Món-ta	Silao	Se la o
Ayapango	Ay a pán go	San Juan	San-hwan
Guanajuato	G wan-a-hwáto		

Seoul, the capital of Korea, is pronounced as if it were spelled Say-ole.

GIFTS TO THE

Evangel-ine Perpetual Bible-woman's Fund.

THROUGH THE NEW YORK BRANCH.

Invested in buildings in India	$5,000.00
Invested in buildings in South America	2,000.00
Invested in buildings in Mexico	2,000.00
Received in 1899 to be invested	8,000.00

Fifty dollars interest to be paid annually on each one thousand dollars invested, to maintain in perpetuity the following Bible-women.

By Angeline Ensign Newman in memory of her

Father —Rev. Datus Ensign, for Bible-woman Mary, in Buenos Ayres, South America.

Mother —Mary Winegar Ensign, for Bible-woman Mary, in Monteviedo, South America.

Sisters —Mary A. Ensign Campbell, for Bible-woman Anna, in Mexico City.

—Adria Eliza Ensign, for Bible-woman Adria, in Pachuca, Mexico.

Brothers—John Wesley Ensign, for Bible-woman Mary, in Pithoragarh, India.

—William Fletcher Ensign, for Bible-woman Mary, in Pithoragarh, India.

—Hiram Asbury Ensign, for Bible-woman Mary, in Chandag, India.

—Benson Coke Ensign, for Bible-woman Sarah Gill, in Paori, India.

One thousand dollars—Gifts to Mrs. Newman for a home for returned missionaries at Round Lake, afterwards converted to this fund by consent of donors, in honor of Mrs. Pruda D. Harwood, for Bible-woman Nora Gill in Naini Tal, India.

To all to whom these presents may come and whom it may concern:

WHEREAS, Mrs. Angeline Ensign Newman has paid over to the Treasurer of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church the sum of seven thousand dollars in seven installments of one thousand dollars each up to date, upon the understanding and agreement hereinafter expressed:

Now, therefore, know ye that the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in consideration of the payment of said sums of money above recited, has agreed and doth hereby agree to and with Mrs. Angeline Ensign Newman and any other person or persons who shall contribute a sum of one thousand dollars for the purpose hereinafter stated, that for each sum of one thousand dollars heretofore paid by Mrs. Angeline Ensign Newman as aforesaid, or hereafter to be paid to the Society by her, or by any other person or persons for the like purpose, the said Society will hold an invested permanent fund of one thousand dollars, and will ever hereafter apply the income thereof, at the rate of five per cent. per annum, exclusively to the support of a converted native Bible-woman in such mission field as may be deemed advisable by said Society, and who shall be employed to read the Holy Scriptures in the native language of the country where such Bible-woman may reside, for at least three hours in each day to women and children of that country, in their homes or wherever found, who will listen to the reading of the Bible.

In witness whereof these presents have been subscribed by the members of the Executive Committee of said Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church at a meeting of said Committee held at Cincinnati, O., on the 20th day of May, 1897.

HARRIET B. SKIDMORE,
LUCY A. ALDERMAN,
SARAH L. KEEN,
ELIZA B. STEVENS,
ELLEN T. COWEN,
SARAH E. CRANDON,
MARY S. HUSTON,
CHARLOTTE S. WINCHELL,
MATILDA WATSON,
CHARLOTTE O'NEIL,
HARRIET D. FISHER.

Mary Ann (Ensign) Campbell.

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C Malinda (Ensign) Lockwood

L Emily (Ensign) Smith

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By Mrs. EV-ANGELINE (ENSIGN) NEWMAN.

"And Samuel took a stone, and set it between Mizpeh and Shen, and called it Eben-ezer, saying, Hitherto hath the LORD helped us."—1 Samuel 7: 12.

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FOREIGN MONEY.

In India a *Pice* is one fourth of an anna, or about two-thirds of a cent.

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CHINA. A *cash* is one mill. The *tael* is worth in gold about $1.15. The Mexican dollar is also used in China.

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SESSIONS OF THE
General Executive Committee.

The General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has held its annual sessions as follows:

	President.	Secretary.
1—1870, Boston, Mass.	Mrs. Dr. Patten,	Mrs. W. F. Warren,
2—1871, Chicago, Ill.	" Bishop Kingsley,	" W. F. Warren,
3—1872, New York City.	" Bishop Clark,	" W. F. Warren,
4—1873, Cincinnati, O.	" L. D. McCabe,	" R. R. Meredith,
5—1874, Philadelphia, Pa.	" F. G. Hibbard,	" J. H. Knowles,
6—1875, Baltimore, Md.	" F. A. Crook,	" R. R. Battee,
7—1876, Washington, D. C.	" F. G. Hibbard,	" W. F. Warren,
8—1877, Minneapolis, Minn.	" Dr. Goodrich,	" L. D. Williams,
9—1878, Boston, Mass.	" W. F. Warren,	" J. T. Gracey,
10—1879, Chicago, Ill.	" G. M. Steele,	" L. H. Daggett,
11—1880, Columbus, O.	" W. F. Warren,	" J. T. Gracey,
12—1881, Buffalo, N. Y.	" F. G. Hibbard,	" A. Lowrey,
13—1882, Philadelphia, Pa.	" W. F. Warren,	" J. T. Gracey,
14—1883, Des Moines, Ia.	" L. G. Murphy,	" J. T. Gracey,
15—1884, Baltimore, Md.	" W. F. Warren,	" J. T. Gracey,
16—1885, Evanston, Ill.	" I. R. Hitt,	" F. P. Crandon,
17—1886, Providence, R. I.	" W. F. Warren,	" J. H. Knowles,
18—1887, Lincoln, Neb.	Miss P. L. Elliott,	" J. T. Gracey,
19—1888, Cincinnati, O.	Mrs. Bishop Clark,	" J. T. Gracey,
20—1889, Detroit, Mich.	" I. N. Danforth,	" J. T. Gracey,
21—1890, Wilkes Barre, Pa.	" W. F. Warren,	" J. T. Gracey,
22—1891, Kansas City, Mo.	" J. J. Imhoff,	" J. T. Gracey,
23—1892, Springfield, Mass.	" W. F. Warren,	" J. T. Gracey,
24—1893, St. Paul, Minn.	" Wardwell Couch,	" J. T. Gracey,
25—1894, Washington, D. C.	" A. H. Eaton,	" J. T. Gracey,
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27—1896, Rochester, N. Y.	Mrs. S. L. Baldwin,	" J. T. Gracey,
28—1897, Denver, Col.	" C. D. Foss,	" J. T. Gracey,
29—1898, Indianapolis, Ind.	" C. D. Foss,	" J. T. Gracey,
30—1899, Cleveland, O.	" C. D. Foss,	" J. T. Gracey,
31—1900, Worcester, Mass.	" C. D. Foss,	" J. T. Gracey,
32—1901, Philadelphia, Pa.	" C. D. Foss,	" J. T. Gracey,
33—1902, Minneapolis, Minn.	" C. D. Foss,	" J. T. Gracey.

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TOPEKA BRANCH—Miss Matilda Watson, Mrs. Mary Price Smith, Mrs. A. A. Parker.

PACIFIC BRANCH—Mrs. Charlotte O'Neal, Mrs. F. J. Masters, Mrs. J. R. Umsted.

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General Executive Committee.

THIRTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION.

In the year 1877, in the early history of the Woman's Foreign Mis-
›nary Society, a session of the General Executive Committee was held
the city of Minneapolis. We were then a small and "feeble folk".
ıe Society had then occupied but a few fields, only forty missionaries
d been sent out, and the annual income amounted to only about sixty
ousand dollars. On October 29, 1902, twenty-five years later, the
›mmittee commenced another session in the same city. The years
ıve wrought great and wondrous changes. The Society has "length-
ıed its cords and strengthened its stakes" in the home land, while
›road its lines have verily gone out unto the ends of the earth. Some
the secretaries who were present in 1877 were also present at this
:ent meeting.

In the judgment of many this last session was one of the very best
:r held. Wesley Church, commodions, spacious and beautiful, was an
ıl church for such a gathering, while the pastor and local commit-
› were untiring in their attentions. The days were crowded with
iness, devotional and with popular meetings addressed by missionaries,
r thirty of whom were in attendance, representing every country where
Society has work, save Bulgaria.

The opening service was held on Wednesday evening, when the
ımunion was administered, and the untiring workers in the home land,
their devoted representatives abroad knelt side by side and renewed
r allegiance to the king of kings, whom they had so loyally served.
=r this service addresses of welcome were delivered by the pastor and
- Winchell, corresponding secretary, emeritus, of the Minneapolis
ıch, to which Mrs. Keen responded, referring feelingly to the meeting
venty-five years ago and the great developments of the years.

The financial report of the past year, which showed the total amount
ıoney raised $478,236, awakened the greatest enthusiasm. This was
-one thousand dollars in advance of the previous year, and the best
ıcial record ever made in the society's history.

There was quite a change in the personnel of the committee this
r. Mrs. L. A. Alderman, whose name for twenty-four years had stood

first on the list, felt it incumbent to retire, and Miss Holt, of Boston, now becomes the Corresponding Secretary of the New England Branch. Mrs. Alderman's saintly life and beautiful devotion have been a benediction, and she retires with the affection of all who have been associated with her. Mrs. Ph. Achard, Secretary of the German Work, and for twelve years editor of *Frauen Missions-Freund*, was not in her accustomed seat, for on October 5th she was called to her heavenly home. Very tender references were made to her devoted life, and resolutions appreciative of her character were passed. Her daughter, Miss A. M. Achard, represented her work, and was subsequently appointed editor of the German paper. Miss Rothweiler was given the secretaryship of the German work. The report of the literature was of the most encouraging character, for every periodical had advanced its subscription list, and the Literature Committee had published a large number of new leaflets, and reprinted many of the former ones, so that the constituency had provided for it a quantity of the very best material for developing intelligence.

Ten cultivated young women were accepted for service by this committee, and nine were accepted by the Reference Committee in May, making nineteen in all. Some of these have already sailed for their destination. Others were present, expecting soon to follow. Three of those accepted were the daughters of missionaries, Maud E. Soper, and Mabel Davisson, of Japan, and Helen Robinson, of India.

A very tender memorial service was held on Monday afternoon for those who had fallen during the year: Delia A. Fuller, fifteen years in India; Dr. Lillian N. Harris, five years in Korea; Mary De F. Loyd, eighteen years in Mexico; and Josephine Mekkelson, two short but fruitful years in Western Africa. Mrs. Gilder spoke of Miss Fuller as they had been associated in work; Mrs. Cowen of Miss Loyd; Mrs. Huston of Miss Mekkelson, and Bishop Moore, who was present in Pyeng Yang, Korea, when Dr. Harris died, gave an account of her illness and funeral. Miss Rothweiler spoke for Mrs. Achard, and the friends who had been so intimately associated with the society were lovingly remembered—Mrs. Bishop Thoburn, Dr. S. L. Baldwin, Dr. Appenzeller and Rev. Mr. Curtis.

On the Sabbath the missionaries spoke in many of the churches in Minneapolis and St. Paul and the surrounding towns. Bishop Thoburn preached the anniversary sermon in the morning at Wesley Church, and the anniversary proper was held in the same church in the evening, when a report of the year's work was presented by the secretary, and an address on China was given by Bishop Moore. Every available seat in the large church was occupied. In the afternoon a general children's rally was held, at which several missionaries spoke, and the Chinese girls, who

are in this country for education, sang and told of the condition of Chinese children. Very considerable attention was given to modifications of work among young women and children for greater efficiency.

On Saturday afternoon arrangements were made by the Commercial Club of the city to give the delegates , missionaries and visitors a trolley ride to St. Paul. About two hundred enjoyed this delighful trip, making a detour around some of the beautiful little lakes which abound in Minnesota. A reception was given by Mrs. Geo. N. Hilman, of St. Paul, and after the return in the evening another reception was given by Mrs. Bishop Joyce.

The hospitality of the Minneapolis churches was unbounded. Dinners and suppers were served each day to several hundred persons. Rest rooms were tastefully arranged, with easy chairs and lounges, where one could spend an hour of quiet.

The closing service of the meeting was very impressive. Twenty missionaries were on the platform, and each spoke a few words of their joy in returning to their work, and others of the bright prospects of entering upon such a glorious service.

The appropriations for the year amount to over four hundred and twenty-nine thousand dollars.

The next session of the committee will be held in the city of Baltimore.

OFFICIAL MINUTES.

GENERAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

THIRTY-THIRD SESSION.

FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINCS,

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1902.

The thirty-third session of the General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened in Wesley Church, Minneapolis, Minn., on Thursday morning, October 30, 1902, at 9 o'clock.

The president, Mrs. C. D. Foss, called the meeting to order and conducted the opening devotional exercises, announcing the first hymn, "Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing," after which she read a part of the sixtieth chapter of Isaiah, and Mrs. Alderman led in prayer. The singing of the hymn, "All hail the power of Jesus' name," concluded the devotional exercises.

The business of the committee was taken up, the secretary calling the roll of delegates. For Mrs. Alderman's name, which had stood at the head of the list for twenty-four years, was substituted that of Miss M. E. Holt, elected at the New England Branch Annual Meeting, Mrs. Alderman having resigned. The following responded to roll-call, viz.:

New England Branch: Miss Mary E. Holt, Miss Clementine Butler, Miss Mary A. Pomeroy.

New York Branch: Mrs. H. B. Skidmore, Mrs. S. L. Baldwin, Miss Mary M. Queal.

Philadelphia Branch: Mrs. S. L. Keen, Mrs. P. P. Strawinski, Mrs. C. E. Davis.

Baltimore Branch: Mrs. E. B. Stevens, Mrs. E. L. Harvey, Miss Della Sherman.

Cincinnati Branch: Mrs. E. T. Cowen, Mrs. D. E. Halstead, Miss A. G. Miles.

Northwestern Branch: Mrs. F. P. Crandon, Mrs. W. A. Smith, Miss Margaret I. Dickson.

Des Moines Branch: Mrs. M. S. Huston, Miss Kate E. Moss, Mrs. O. S. Dow.

Minneapolis Branch: Mrs. I. W. Joyce, Mrs. F. E. White, Mrs. B. H. Wylie.

Topeka Branch: Miss Matilda Watson, Mrs. Mary Price Smith, Mrs. A. A. Parker.

Pacific Branch: Mrs. Charlotte O'Neal, Mrs. F. J. Masters, Mrs. J. R. Umsted.

Columbia River Branch: Mrs. A. N. Fisher, Mrs. M. E. Chesnut, Mrs. T. S. Lippy.

Secretary of German Work:

Literature Committee: Mrs. R. H. Pooley, Mrs. C. F. Wilder, Miss E. C. Northup.

In the Des Moines Branch Mrs. O. S. Dow, first reserve, was substituted for Mrs. L. L. Long, delegate elect. In Columbia River Branch Mrs. T. S. Lippy, first reserve, was substituted for Miss C. Holbrook, delegate elect.

The announcement was made of the death of Mrs. P. Achard, secretary of German work, which occurred October 5.

After the calling of the roll, the delegates made selection of seats. The president made a few introductory remarks, then called for the regular order of business. Miss Watson, secretary of the reference committee, nominated the following committees, and the nominations were confirmed.

Committee on Publication: New England Branch, Miss Butler; New York Branch, Miss Queal; Philadelphia Branch, Miss Strawinski; Baltimore Branch, Mrs. Harvey; Cincinnati Branch, Mrs. Halstead; Northwestern Branch, Miss Dickson; Des Moines Branch, Miss Moss; Minneapolis Branch, Mrs. Wylie; Topeka Branch, Mrs. M. P. Smith; Pacific Branch, Mrs. Umsted; Columbia River Branch, Mrs. Lippy.

Committee on Missionary Candidates: New England Branch, Miss Pomeroy; New York Branch, Mrs. Baldwin; Philadelphia Branch Mrs. Davis; Baltimore Branch, Miss Sherman; Cincinnati Branch, Miss Miles; Northwestern Branch, Mrs. W. A. Smith; Des Moines Branch, Mrs. Dow; Minneapolis Branch, Mrs. White; Topeka Branch, Mrs. Parker; Pacific Branch, Mrs. Masters; Columbia River Branch, Mrs. Chesnut.

Mrs. Crandon asked that the following missionaries and visitors be seated with the Northwestern Branch delegates: Misses Fisher,

Wright, Craig, Kemper, Mmes. Denning and Craven, all of India; Misses Todd and Merrill, of China; Mrs. Patton, president of the branch; and Mrs. Bliss, home secretary. Mrs. Huston requested that Mrs. Stanley, for twenty-five years treasurer of the Des Moines Branch, Miss Pearson, president, Mrs. Fitz, present treasurer, Misses Trimble and Meyer, of China, Miss Perkins, of Burma, Miss Mabel Sia and Miss Susana Stumpf, accepted candidates, be seated with the Des Moines delegation. Mrs. Keen asked that Miss C. Purdy, of Mexico, Miss Hunnings and Miss Sutch be seated at the Philadelphia table. Mrs. Skidmore asked for Miss Bowne, of Italy, and Miss Budden, of India, to be seated with the New York delegation. Mrs. Pooley asked for Misses Stewart, Prentice, Lincoln and Achard to be seated with the Literature Committee. Mrs. Cowen asked that Misses Means, Hoge, and Wilson, of India, and Miss Lebeus, of China, be seated with the Cincinnati delegation. Miss Holt asked that Miss Hodgkins, Mrs. Harrison, Mrs. Scott and Miss Walden be seated with the New England delegation. Mrs. Fisher requested that Miss Lilly, of Singapore, be seated with the Columbia River Branch delegation. Mrs. O'Neal asked that Miss Marks, of India, and Mrs. Graves be seated with the Pacific Branch delegation. These requests were all granted.

It was moved and carried that Miss Rothweiler take the table assigned for Mrs. Achard, superintendent of German work.

Mrs. J. H. Knowles, of the New York Branch, was appointed assistant secretary.

Miss Watson asked as a privilege that Mrs. A. A. Parker, a conference secretary of the Topeka Branch, be permitted to represent the branch, as the delegates elected were detained. The privilege was granted.

A report of the Reference committee was called for, and Miss Watson, secretary, reported proceedings. This committee held its mid-year meeting in Cincinnati in May. Various items of business were considered, and the following missionaries were accepted: from the New England Branch, Miss Edith I. Swift for Italy; from the Philadelphia Branch, Sarah A. Turner for India; from the Baltimore Branch, Maud E. Soper for Japan; from the Northwestern Branch, Thirza M. Pierce for China; from the Des Moines Branch, Mabel Sia and Bertha M. Beard for China, Rosa M. Pyne and Susana M. Stumpf for India. The report was accepted.

The report of the Constitutional Publication Committee was presented by the secretary, Mrs. Keen. The financial report of the zenana paper was given. A communication from India concerning the zenana paper had just been received, and Mrs. Keen asked the privilege of presenting a supplementary report, which privilege was granted.

Miss Holt had sent her resignation as member of the Literature :ommittee, and the name of Miss Northup, of New England, was sug-ested for the position.

Mrs. Huston moved that when the reports of home work are pre-ented the statistics and treasurers' reports be given at the same time.

The motion prevailed.

A call was made by the president for memorials and petitions. Two ıemorials were passed to the secretary from the Northwestern Branch nd two from the Philadelphia Branch. It was voted that a special com-ıittee be appointed to consider these memorials, and that the chair ppoint said committee.

The reports of home work were called for, and presented by the ecretaries of the branches as follows : New England Branch, by Mrs. .lderman, at the request of Miss Holt; New York, by Mrs. Skidmore; hiladelphia, by Mrs. Keen; Baltimore, by Mrs. Stevens; Cincinnati, by Irs. Cowen; Northwestern, by Mrs. Crandon; Des Moines, by Mrs. Iuston; Minneapolis, by Mrs. Joyce; Topeka, by Miss Watson.

It was moved and carried that, as arrangements had been made to erve lunch at 12:30, the committee adjourn as soon as announcements ere made.

As all the branches had not reported, it was voted that the remaining ranches give their treasurers' reports, that the amount raised during the ear might be announced. The amount received by branches from Octo-er 1, 1901, to October 1, 1902, was as follows :—

ew England Branch	$ 43,039.97
ew York "	89,921.00
hiladelphia "	43,491.07
altimore "	19,310.77
incinnati "	57,280.00
orthwestern "	120,406.05
es Moines "	41,155.65
linneapolis "	21,809.22
opeka "	20,694.56
acific "	13,886.00
olumbia River "	5,085.57
rom the Germans	2,156.17
	$478,236.03
Amount raised, 1901	426,795.28
Advance for 1902	$ 51,440.75

The following committee was announced on memorials and petitions: Miss Dickson, of the Northwestern Branch; Mrs. Baldwin, of the New York Branch, and Mrs. Davis, of the Philadelphia Branch.

Announcements were made for meetings of various committees.

Mrs. Landis, general chairman of local committees, was introduced, and presented the following heads of local departments: Mrs. Taylor, Hospitality; Mrs. Ensign, Registration; Mrs. Hill, Postmistress; Mrs. Thorne, Literature: Mrs. Sloan, Rest Room; Mrs. Stewart and Mrs. Cowen, Press; Mrs. Hall, Receptions; Mrs. Fielder, Public Services; Mrs. Nelson, Finance; Mrs. Cobb, Luncheon; Mrs. Montgomery, Courtesies.

The following ministers were introduced to the committee: Rev. Dr. Fielder, presiding elder of the Minneapolis District; Rev. Dr. Bridgman, president of Hamline University; Rev. Mr. Heard; Rev. Mr. Kirfoot; Dr. White, presiding elder of Blue Earth District; Rev. Mr. Wilsey; Rev. Mr. Jacobson; Rev. Mr. Parker; and Dr. Montgomery, pastor of Wesley Church.

The committee adjourned, after singing the doxology, with benediction by Dr. Bridgman.

SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS,

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31.

The General Executive Committee convened for its second day's proceedings at nine o'clock with the president, Mrs. Foss, in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by the delegates from the New England Branch.

After the calling of the roll by the secretary, the minutes were read, corrected and approved.

Mrs. Huston asked as a matter of privilege that as the delegates from the Des Moines Branch had not arrived, and she had not heard from them, that Mrs. Fritz, treasurer of the branch, act as delegate. The privilege was granted.

It was voted that the business program be closed at twelve o'clock, and announcements and introductions occupy the time until half-past twelve, the hour announced for lunch.

Elizabeth C. Northup, of Waltham, Mass., had been nominated by the eastern section as a member of the Literature Committee, to take the place of Miss Holt, whose term expires. Miss Holt moved that the nomination be confirmed, and Miss Northup was appointed.

Miss Queal moved that a committee of three be appointed on resolutions, which motion prevailed.

Miss Rothweiler asked that all German secretaries present and Miss Lebeus, of China, be seated at or near the table occupied by Miss Achard and Miss Rothweiler. The request was granted.

Mrs. Cowen asked that Miss Bing, of Japan, be seated with the Cincinnati delegation. Mrs. Crandon asked that Miss Newton and Miss Green, of India, Mrs. Hauser, Mrs. Irish, Mrs. Clark and daughter, and Mrs. Robinson, home workers, be seated with the Northwestern delegation, which privilege was granted.

The following persons were appointed to report the proceedings of the committee in the church papers: *Pacific Christian Advocate*, Mrs. J. H. Knowles; *New York Christian Advocate*, Mrs. J. T. Gracey; *Western Christian Advocate*, to be provided by the Cincinnati delegation; *Zion's Herald*, Mrs. O. W. Scott; *Northwestern Christian Advocate*, Mrs. A. W. Patton; *California Christian Advocate*, Mrs. F. J. Masters; *Der Christliche Apologete*, Miss Lebeus; *Michigan Christian Advocate*, Mrs. Hauser; *Pittsburg Christian Advocate*, Miss B. M. Sutch; *Baltimore Methodist*, Mrs. Harvey; *Central Christian Advocate*, Miss Pearson; *Midland Christian Advocate*, Miss Anna Stewart; *Philadelphia Methodist*, Mrs. Strawinski.

The unfinished reports of home work were called for and that of the Pacific Branch was presented by the secretary, Mrs. O'Neal. The Columbia River Branch was presented by the secretary, Mrs. Fisher.

The report of German work was called for and Miss Rothweiler requested that Miss Achard, the daughter of the former superintendent, be permitted to make the report. Miss Achard referred very touchingly to her mother's last illness, her care for the work, and her triumphant death; she spoke also, of the great financial success of the society among the Germans. After her report a verse was sung, "We share each others joys," etc.

The report of the Literature Committee was presented by the chairman, Mrs. R. H. Pooley. The report was accepted and referred to the Publication Committee.

Mrs. Keen supplemented her report of the Constitutional Publication Committee in regard to the zenana paper, giving some statements from a letter received from Mrs. Messmore, of India. It was accepted and referred to Publication Committee.

Miss Hodgkins, editor of the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, presented a report of that paper, which report was accepted and referred to the Publication Committee. The report of the *Children's Missionary Friend* was presented by the editor, Mrs. O. W. Scott, and was accepted and

referred to the Publication Committee. The report of *Der Frauen-Missions-Freund* was presented by Miss Achard and referred to Publication Committee. The report of *The Study* was given by the editor, Mrs. Budlong, and referred to the Publication Committee. These reports showed an advance in subscriptions of all the periodicals of 7,169. Miss Walden, publisher, presented a financial report of these publications, showing them to be on a self-supporting basis, with a surplus in the treasury. The report was accepted and referred to the Publication Committee.

Mrs. Keen asked that Miss Lincoln be seated with the Philadelphia Branch delegation, and the privilege was granted.

Miss Walden presented a financial report of the Literature Committee, which was referred to the Publication Committee. Mrs. Harrison, superintendent of Little Light Bearers, presented the first report of this organization. Reports accepted and referred to Publication Committee.

The president announced the Committee on Resolutions as follows: Miss Butler, of the New England Branch; Mrs. Harvey, of the Baltimore Branch; and Miss Moss, of the Des Moines Branch. The literature was represented by Mrs. Mary C. Nind.

Announcements were made concerning the trolley ride to St. Paul, and the reception to be given by Mrs. Hillman, also the reception to be tendered to delegates, missionaries and visitors and to those entertaining members of the committee, by Mrs. Bishop Joyce, at her residence on Saturday evening, from eight to ten o'clock.

The following missionaries were presented to the committee: Miss Bing, of Japan; Misses Fisher, Green, Marks, Hoge, Means, Wright and Budden, of India; Mmes. Craven and Denning, of the General Board, from India; Miss Longstreet, of Foochow; Miss Merrill, of Central China; Miss Myer, of West China; Miss Purdy, of Mexico; Miss Lilly of Singapore; and Mrs. Dunlap, of South America.

Miss Cooper, of Asbury Hospital, was introduced, also the following ministers: Rev. Dr. Rule, presiding elder of St. Paul District; Rev. Mr. Bergen, pastor of the First German Church; Rev. Mr. Halloway, pastor of St. Anthony Park Church; Rev. Mr. Bowes, pastor of the North German Church; Rev. Mr. Lawson, of St. Cloud; Rev. Mr. Shannon, pastor of North Church, Minneapolis; and Rev. Mr. Wire, editor of the *Midland Christian Advocate*.

Miss Butler, delegate from the New England Branch, daughter of Dr. Wm. Butler, founder of Methodist missions in India and Mexico, was introduced; also Mrs. S. L. Baldwin, delegate from the New York Branch and for twenty-five years missionary in China. After these introductions, the committee adjourned by singing the doxology, with benediction by Rev. Mr. Shannon.

THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS,

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1.

The General Executive Committee convened at the usual hour, with ıe president in the chair. The opening devotions were conducted by the ɜlegates of the New York Branch. The roll was called, minutes read, ›rrected and approved.

Mrs. Fisher, of the Columbia River Branch, asked that Mrs. Lippy, ıe of the delegates, be excused from further attendance on the meeting, ıe finding it necessary to return to her home. The request was granted. iss Queal asked that Mrs. Wilkinson, president of Folts Institute, be :ated with the New York delegation. The request was granted.

Mrs. Huston moved, and it was carried, that if any of the committees ere ready they be requested to report.

Miss Dickson, chairman of Committee on Memorials, presented a ırtial report. It was voted to accept and consider item by item.

The Committee on Memorials has received memorials from Philaɜlphia, New England, and Northwestern Branches. These have been ırefully considered and we submit the following partial report.

Believing that it would be of advantage to our work, therefore,

Resolved, That we furnish one free copy of the *Woman's Missionary 'riend* to each newly organized auxiliary for the period of one year.

WHEREAS, Other societies fix the dues for membership in babies' ›cieties at ten cents per year,

Resolved, That we recommend that the annual dues of the Little ight Bearers be placed at ten cents.

The first item about *Friend* was lost ; the second, after some discus- on, was laid on the table.

Mrs. Baldwin, chairman of Committee on Missionary Candidates, :esented a partial report. The following, after due consideration and ·presentation by the several secretaries presenting them, by missionaries ıd others having knowledge of them, were accepted: Miss Bessie lexander for Japan, a request for her appointment coming from the ıpanese Conference through the Philadelphia Branch ; Dr. Mary B. uttle from Topeka Branch for India ; Anna Mary Zimmerman from the inneapolis Branch ; Helen Robinson from the New York Branch for ıdia ; Mabel Davisson from New York Branch for Japan.

Mrs. Harvey, secretary of Publication Committee, presented a ırtial report. It was voted to accept and consider item by item. The

first and second items were adopted. The third, recommending the giving of one copy of the *Friend* for every ten members, caused considerable discussion. Miss Watson moved to amend by inserting the word "new", making it read, "for every ten new members". The amendment was accepted. Miss Butler moved a second amendment; that a copy be given for every fifteen renewals. The matter was referred back to the committee. The fourth item was adopted. The fifth, concerning department in *Friend* for reporting new organizations, members, etc., it was moved to amend by striking out the word "organizer". This item was discussed and referred back to committee. The sixth item was adopted. On the seventh, concerning the enlargement of the *Children's Friend*, Mrs. Crandon moved that action be deferred until after hearing from the Committee on Children's Work, appointed by the last General Executive Committee. It was deferred. The eighth item, recommending the continuance of Miss Hodgkins as editor of the *Friend*, Mrs. Scott as editor of the *Children's Friend*, and the appointment of Miss A. M. Achard as editor of the *German Friend*, was adopted. The ninth item, concerning the salaries of editors, was deferred for action. The tenth, relative to the sale of the *Friend* at railway stations, was lost. The eleventh, having reference to the uniting of Children's Work and Little Light Bearers under one general secretary, was deferred to hear from Special Committee on Children's Work.

Mrs. Mary S. Wilkinson, president elect of Folts' Mission Institute, was introduced and represented that institution. She spoke of its equipment as a school and home, and of its thoroughly trained and efficient faculty

Miss Kemper, chairman of a committee appointed at the session of the General Executive Committee one year ago to prepare some uniform plan and name for children's work, presented a report. It was moved to accept and defer action until Monday. The motion carried.

Mrs. Pooley represented the literature.

Local announcements were made by Mrs. Landis, and Mrs. Clark, railroad secretary, made announcements concerning certificates.

The following were introduced to the committee: Mrs. E. K. Stanley, for twenty-five years treasurer of the Des Moines Branch; Mrs. Dr. Van Anda; Miss Lydia Trimble, of China; Miss Bertha Beard, under appointment to China; Miss May Wilson, of India; Ruby Sia, of China, now a student in Cornell College; Mrs. Bliss, home secretary, and Mrs. Patton, president of the Northwestern Branch; Miss Spaulding, of the Training School in Kansas City; and Professor Patton, of Northwestern University. Upon motion, the committee adjourned, singing the doxology, with benediction by Rev. Mr. Kirfoot.

FOURTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS,

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3.

The General Executive Committee convened at nine o'clock, with Mrs. Foss, the president, in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by the delegates of the Philadelphia Branch. After calling of the roll, the minutes of Saturday's session were read and approved.

Business was taken up and reports by committees called. Miss Watson moved that the committee take up the discussion of the report on Children's Work, which report was presented on Saturday, but action deferred until Monday. Miss Kemper read the report a second time. It was moved to consider item by item. Mrs. Keen desired to have the consideration of the report postponed, that it might go before other committees. Mrs. Crandon stated that it had been considered before other committees, so the motion to consider item by item carried.

The first item, concerning the name for children's organizations, was that it be "King's Heralds". A general discussion followed, in which objection was made by some, preferring to retain the name of "Mission Band"; others objected to multiplication of departments; some desired uniformity; others thought a name was needed for children between Little Light Bearers and Standard Bearers. After the discussion, a vote was called for, and as some expressed doubt as to the result, a standing vote was called for, resulting in twenty-three in favor and nine opposed; so the name of King's Heralds was officially adopted.

The second item, concerning badge, was adopted.

The third, concerning colors, was adopted.

The fourth, concerning pledge, motto, watchword, message and benediction, was adopted.

The fifth was about a uniform mite-box. As the General Executive Committee at the session in 1901 recommended the use of a "World" mite-box, and as it had not been introduced, desiring to have uniformity, Miss Dickson moved to rescind the action of last year, which motion was carried, and the item with its recommendation adopted.

The sixth item recommended the election of a general secretary, who shall attend the sessions of the General Executive Committee and make a report, and a secretary of Children's Work in each branch, etc. After a general discussion and various amendments, a final motion was made to amend by inserting the words, "including the department of Little Light Bearers" after "There shall be a general secretary of Children's Work,

including," etc. A vote was taken and doubted, and a rising vote called for, resulting in nineteen in favor and fourteen opposed, securing the adoption of the item.

The seventh item was adopted.

The eighth, concerning duties of officers and to whom reports should be made, was amended to include branch corresponding secretaries, and was adopted as amended.

The ninth was adopted.

The tenth, appropriating special work, it was voted to divide and consider separately. In the first section, the selection of special objects, the Reference Committee, in consultation with the general secretary of Children's Work to select the special object, all branches uniting. Mrs. Stevens moved to amend by adding "as far as practicable" which was accepted, and the first section adopted as amended. The second, relating to a certain per cent. in appropriations to Children's Work in each branch, was, after much discussion, referred back to committee. The third, that money raised by children be reported, was adopted.

The eleventh item, recommending that the *Children's Missionary Friend* be the official organ of the King's Heralds, was adopted.

The twelfth advised the enlargement of the *Children's Friend* from twelve to sixteen pages. Miss Walden stated that if an edition of twenty-five thousand could be issued, the additional cost for enlargement would be about $350, and if the subscription list were raised to fifty thousand, the expenses could be met.

The thirteenth, urging the introduction of the paper in the Sunday Schools, was adopted.

The fourteenth was the adoption of the constitution.

The fifteenth item, recommending that the postage and traveling expenses of the secretary of Children's Work be paid from the general treasury, was discussed. Mrs. Keen moved to amend by having the expenses paid from the *Woman's Missionary Friend.* The amendment was lost, and the item adopted as presented.

The following resolution, presented by Mrs. Crandon, was adopted :—

Resolved, That hereafter special committees appointed by this General Executive Committee prepare their reports in such time that a copy shall be in the hands of every branch secretary at least two months before the meeting of the General Executive Committee.

Miss Hodgkins, chairman of a committee appointed one year ago to provide a crest and badge for the society, reported that the committee had submitted a pin at several of the branch meetings, where it met with favor, and she submitted it to the General Executive Committee. Action on the matter was deferred for a day.

Miss Hodgkins represented the literature.

Bishop Thoburn was introduced and made a short address. Mr. and Mrs. Gilder, of India, and Miss Joan Davis, an accepted candidate, were also introduced. The committee adjourned by singing the doxology and benediction by Bishop Thoburn.

FIFTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS,

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4.

The General Executive Committee met at nine o'clock with the president in the chair. The opening devotional exercises were conducted by the delegates of the Baltimore Branch. The roll was called, the minutes read, corrected and approved.

The regular business was called for, and Mrs. Baldwin, chairman of the Committee on Missionary Candidates, gave a partial report. Miss Minerva Guthaffel, from the New York Branch, was accepted. The testimonials of the Misses Saxe were satisfactory in every respect save health, so they were referred back to the New York Branch. Miss L. Passmore, of the Northwestern Branch, was accepted for work in Bombay. Miss Spaulding, from the Topeka Branch, was recommended for Manila. The committee expressed the earnest conviction and made the request that no costume be worn by a missionary going to Manila, or any Roman Catholic country, as the ignorant and superstitious people think it only another order. Mrs. Joyce said that Dr. Stuntz, knowing the situation in Manila, had asked for a deaconess. Mrs. Huston moved to amend the clause by striking out the sentence about the costume. Bishop Thoburn was asked to give his views, and said he did not think the costume of a deaconess would be objectionable. The motion to strike out the clause was carried, and Miss Spaulding accepted.

Miss Kemper, chairman of the committee on a plan for children's work, presented the item which had been referred back to committee: — The committee recommends omitting Sec. 2 and the words, "include in it their appropriations," and after the words, "as far as practicable". Carried.

Mrs. Keen, after speaking of the radical changes being made, and giving a word of caution lest the multiplicity of home reports push out the foreign reports, said she fully approved of the increase of workers, but the missionaries ought to be heard, for from them comes inspiration. Mrs. Keen then moved to withdraw the article recommending a general

secretary of children's work. This called forth a discussion, when the question was called for and a vote taken on the motion, resulting in twelve in favor and twenty opposed. The motion being lost, the report of the committee was adopted as a whole.

Miss Dickson presented a report on memorials. Mrs. Crandon moved that no one person shall be allowed to speak more than once until all have had an opportunity. This motion prevailed. Miss Dickson presented a memorial from the Northwestern Branch in regard to the further and more complete organization of Standard Bearers. It was voted to consider item by item. The first item was considered. Miss Holt moved as an amendment that "there shall be a Secretary of Young Women's Work and Standard Bearers". Mrs. O'Neal moved a second amendment, "that it shall be Young People's Work". This amendment was lost. Other suggestions were made, when Mrs. Crandon offered a substitute, "there shall be a Secretary for Young Women's Work and Standard Bearers," which substitute was adopted.

The second, third and fourth items were adopted. The fifth item was struck out. Miss Dickson spoke and moved to reconsider the action, which was carried. With some verbal alterations the item was accepted.

The sixth item was adopted.

The seventh was a constitution for the Young Women's Work and Standard Bearers. The first six articles were adopted; the seventh, relating to election by ballot, it was voted to eliminate.

The item concerning wearing the badge was discussed, and Mrs. Crandon moved to amend by substituting "should not" for "cannot", and the amendment was accepted and the item adopted. By common consent the word "national" was changed to "general".

The eighth, ninth, tenth, and eleventh items were adopted.

The twelfth concerned reporting. Mrs. Pooley moved that reports be made uniform with the one presented for King's Heralds, and that they be made quarterly to the branch corresponding secretary. Mrs. Stevens offered as an amendment that reports be made to corresponding secretary or one appointed to receive such reports, which amendment was accepted and the article, as amended, adopted. The thirteenth item, concerning the expenses of secretary, was discussed. Mrs. Pooley moved that the necessary expenses, such as postage and traveling to the General Executive Committee, be met from the treasury of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. This motion prevailed.

The fourteenth item was referred back to the committee. The fifteenth was adopted. The sixteenth was referred back to committee. The seventeenth was adopted.

The report of the general treasurer, Mrs. H. B. Skidmore, was read by the secretary. Receipts for the year to cover, the expenses of secretaries and delegates to the Reference Committee and General Executive Committee, with other incidental expenses, $2,026. Expenses to October 30, $2,004.20, with balance on hand, $21.80. The report was accepted.

The president, Mrs. C. D. Foss, who, with Mrs. W. B. Davis, of Cincinnati, had been appointed by the Reference Committee to investigate the titles to the property of the society in foreign lands, presented a report. As they had not been able to complete their investigations, Mrs. Crandon moved that the report be accepted, and the committee continued. This motion carried. Mrs. Crandon also moved that the committee report to the secretary that the list of the value of real estate in the Annual Report may be corrected. The motion prevailed. The expense incident to the work of this committee was ordered paid.

The secretary read a list of the missionaries in attendance at the meeting. There were twenty-one from India and Burma, five from China, one from Korea, two from Japan, one from Mexico, one from Italy, two from South America; thirty-three in all.

Miss Butler moved that the reports of official correspondents be made the order of the day Wednesday morning at nine thirty. The motion was carried. Miss Northup represented the literature, Mrs. Landis made local announcements, and stated that the Commercial Club of the city presented to each of the delegates a copy of *Picturesque Minneapolis.*

The committee adjourned by singing the doxology.

SIXTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS,

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5.

The General Executive Committee convened at the usual hour, with the president in the chair. The opening devotional exercises were conducted by the delegates of the Cincinnati Branch. The roll was called, minutes read, corrected and approved.

The official correspondence, the order for the day, was taken up. A report of the work in Africa was presented by Mrs. Huston. She reported the death of Josephine Mekkelson at St. Paul de Loanda, on July 5, 1902.

The work in Bulgaria was reported by Mrs. Crandon. The work in Bombay was called for, and Mrs. Huston was excused from reading and passed the report to the secretary to be published in the annual report.

The report of Italy was given by Mrs. Crandon. Malaysia was called for, and Mrs. Joyce asked that instead of reading the report, Miss Lilly be asked to speak, she having so recently returned from Malaysia. The request was granted, and Miss Lilly referred to the great development of the work and the need for reinforcements.

Mexico was called for, and the report prepared by Mrs. Keen, the official correspondent, was read by the secretary.

Miss Holt, secretary of the New England Branch, read the report of North China.

Miss Watson asked that, instead of reading the report from Northwest India, Miss Wright and Miss Marks be asked to represent that work, which request was granted. Miss Marks stated that there were twelve hundred orphans in this conference under the care of the society.

Mrs. Fisher, official correspondent for North Japan, gave some facts concerning the needs of the work throughout the north.

Miss Jacobson, formerly of Pakur, India, reported the work among the Scandinavians as having wonderfully developed during the year. One hundred and seventeen auxiliaries had been organized with twenty-five hundred members.

Mrs. Stevens represented South India. At the close of this report Miss Watson moved that the reports of standing committees be taken up. The motion prevailed.

Miss Hodgkins, chairman of Committee on Badge and Crest, supplemented a previous report. It was moved and carried to adopt the report as presented by Miss Hodgkins.

Miss Watson moved that this Committee be continued, but it was announced that Miss Carnahan, a member of the committee, had gone to Japan, so the name of Miss Lincoln, of the Philadelphia Branch, was substituted, and the committee continued, all details of the matter to be in the hands of this committee.

The Committee on Publication was called and the secretary, Mrs. Harvey, presented a partial report.

The first item was adopted.

The second, recommending the appointment of Mrs. Lucie F. Harrison as general secretary of Children's Work, including Little Light Bearers, was adopted.

The third, suggesting the name of Miss E. C. Northup, of the New England Branch, as editor of the *Study*, was adopted.

The fourth, recommending the name of Miss. Mary L. Ninde, of Detroit, for general secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers, was adopted.

Five other items of a miscellaneous character were adopted. The

tenth, advising the publication in the *Friend* of new organizations, members and subscribers, called out quite a discussion. Mrs. Crandon moved as an amendment to "strike out the clause referring to subscriptions of periodicals". Miss Hodgkins hoped the amendment would not pass. Mrs. Dow thought if inserted it would serve as a great incentive. The amendment was lost. Mrs. Baldwin moved that the name of the conference be inserted. A vote was taken but doubted, and a rising vote was called for, resulting in eleven in favor and seventeen opposed. A vote was then taken on the original item, resulting in twenty-two in favor and eight opposed. Nine other items were adopted.

The twentieth item recommended that more articles from missionaries be printed in the *Friend*, and review of books not strictly missionary be left out. Miss Hodgkins spoke emphatically against leaving out book reviews. Mrs. Stevens moved, and it was voted, to divide the item, and the first part was adopted. The second part, relating to book reviews, was laid on the table.

At the close of this report, Miss Butler called Mrs. Winchell, the corresponding secretary Emeritus of the Minneapolis Branch, and in a neat address made a presentation to Mrs. Winchell of a very handsome piece of Chinese embroidery as an expression of the high regard in which Mrs. Winchell is held by the members of the General Executive Committee. Mrs. Winchell accepted the token in a very tender and appropriate reply.

Miss Hodgkins represented the literature.

Mrs. Landis made local announcements and the committee adjourned by singing the doxology.

SEVENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS,

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6.

The General Executive Committee met at nine o'clock, with the president in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by the delegates of the Northwestern Branch. After the devotions, the secretary called the roll, the minutes were read, corrected and approved.

Mrs. Nind made announcement of the death of Mrs. David Preston, of Detroit, for many years a devoted friend of the society. Mrs. Crandon moved, and it was carried, that a letter of sympathy be sent to the family by the secretary.

Miss Dickson, chairman of Committee on Memorials, presented sections fourteen and sixteen of the Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers, that had been re-committed, and they were adopted. The report on memorials and petitions was then adopted as a whole.

Mrs. Baldwin, chairman of Committee on Missionary Candidates, presented the names of Esther R. Henderson and Laura Temple from the New York Branch, and both were accepted.

The action of the Reference Committee, in accepting ten missionary candidates at the meeting in May, was heartily endorsed by the committee. The report of the Committee on Missionary Candidates was adopted as a whole. Mrs. Baldwin presented two items from the Candidate Committee, the first on change of by-law 5 in Requirements of Missionary Candidates, which shall read, "The age of candidates must not be less than twenty-five years, or more than thirty years. Special facility in acquiring language or call to English work may be considered sufficient reason for deviation from this rule." This item was adopted.

The second was in regard to modification of health certificate. Mrs. Crandon stated that a new medical certificate was being prepared, which would meet the conditions.

Mrs. Harvey, chairman of the Publication Committee, presented an item as a substitute for one about reports which was re-committed, which was adopted. Nine other items were presented and adopted, when the Publication Committee report was adopted as a whole. (See Report.)

Miss Hodgkins stated that the seal of the society would soon be ready and hoped it would be used on all the branch annual reports.

The matter of uniform constitutions for branches was discussed, but no action was taken. The following resolution was adopted by the General Executive Committee of 1901, and instruction given that it be inserted in the By-Laws:

All new missionaries and those returning after a five years' term of service shall have a salary which includes all expenses hitherto classed as incidentals and shall be: In Africa, $500; Bulgaria, $600; Central China, Foochow and Hing-Hua, $600; North China, $650; West China, $450; India, $600; $50 additional in Bombay City for house expenses; Italy, $600; Japan, $700; Korea, $700; Maylasia, $425; Mexico, $750; South America, $750.

First year's salaries: $400, where full salary is $425, $450 and $500; $500, where $600; $525, where $650; $550, where $650, $700 and $750. This, according to present action, becomes a by-law.

Mrs. Huston moved that the following be inserted as No. 6 in Article 6 of Constitution under the head of Reference Committee: This committee shall hold a semi-annual meeting at such time and place as shall

be designated by the chairman and secretary. The expenses of this meeting shall be paid from the general treasury. This motion was carried.

Notice was given one year ago for a proposed change in the Constitution. In place of the words, "The payment of $1 annually shall constitute membership," the committee giving the notice desired to have inserted the words, "The payment of ten cents a month shall constitute membership". A protest against the change came up from the Philadelphia and New York Branches, and after an expression of opinion, a vote was taken resulting in seven in favor, and twenty-three opposed. The notice of change in Article 5 to insert after Literature Committee, "Superintendent of Little Light Bearers," was laid on the table.

The following proposed changes were all adopted :

Articles first and second under Constitutional Publication Committee to remain the same, but Article third modified to read :

Article 3—All cases of emergency concerning publications arising in the interim of the sessions of the General Executive Committee shall be submitted to the Constitutional Publication Committee, and the case shall be decided by the majority vote.

Article 4 as Article 3. This committee shall take charge of the missionary periodicals of the society and arrange for the publication of an annual report of the work of the society, and shall have supervision of all business concerning the publications. This committee shall report annually to the General Executive Committee.

Article 5 as Article 4. Same as printed to last line, where add : "She shall report semi-annually to the Constitutional Publication Committee."

Article 6 same as Article 5. Article 7 same as Article 6.

Article 8. If the office of editor, publisher or member of Literature Committee become vacant during the year, this committee shall have power to fill the vacancy. Add to the end of Literature Committee : "And shall report semi-annually to the Constitutional Publication Committee."

In Section 5, Article I, the word "secretary" was substituted for "superintendent". A new by-law was enacted, made necessary by the Act of Incorporation.

The following Board of Managers were re-elected : Harriet B. Skidmore, Esther E. Baldwin, Mary J. Anderson, Sarah K. Cornell, Mary L. Dennler, Helen Emens, Annie R. Gracey, Anna W. Gibson, Ordelia M. Hillman, Ellin J. Knowles, Caroline Leaycraft, Louise M. North, Mary A. Priest, Mary M. Queal, Susan A. Sayre, Jennie B. Spaeth, Fannie J. Sparkes.

Miss Watson nominated as secretary for the Scandinavian work Mrs. Andrew Farrell, of St. Paul, Minn., who was elected. The name of Miss L. Rothweiler was proposed for secretary of German work, to take the place made vacant by the death of Mrs. Achard. Miss Rothweiler was elected. Mrs. Farrell and Miss Rothweiler were introduced to the committee and Mrs. Farrell made a short address, asking for the sympathy and help of the committee in the work she was about to undertake.

Mrs. R. E. Clark, of Chicago, and Miss Pauline J. Walden, of Boston, were elected railroad secretaries.

The next item of business was the selection of place for the next meeting of the committee. Mrs. E. B. Stevens, secretary of the Baltimore Branch, extended an invitation to meet in the city of Baltimore, the church to be specified later. Miss Butler moved that the committee accept the invitation with thanks. The motion prevailed.

Mrs. Stevens presented the following resolution, which was adopted

WHEREAS, Our missionary bishops, Hartzell and Warne, and our visiting bishop, Moore, have manifested great interest in the work of our society in their respective fields, carefully inspecting the same and reporting frequently to the corresponding secretaries; therefore,

Resolved, That we give expression to our appreciation of their fraternal services, gratefully acknowledging our indebtedness, and trust they will continue to grant us similar favors.

Mrs. Stevens also presented the following, which was adopted :

Resolved, That no woman not elected delegate or alternate by her branch to the General Executive Committee shall be admitted as member of said committee.

The missionaries in attendance at the meeting met and passed resolutions appreciative of the kindness of friends in Minneapolis, and of the consideration of the corresponding secretaries in looking after their interests. These resolutions were read by the secretary. (See resolutions.)

The election of officers was the next item of business. Mrs. C. D. Foss, of Philadelphia, was nominated for president, Mrs. J. T. Gracey, of Rochester, N. Y., for recording secretary, and Mrs. H. B. Skidmore, of New York, for general treasurer. These officers were unanimously elected.

Mrs. Keen offered the following, which was adopted :

Resolved, That reports presented by the various committees and individuals authorized by the General Executive Committee shall be limited to ten minutes in length of reading.

Mrs. Huston moved that all official correspondence be handed to the secretary for printing in the annual report. The motion carried.

Miss Moss, chairman of Committee on Resolutions, presented a report which was adopted. (See resolutions.)

Mrs. Cowen presented resolutions concerning the death of Mrs. Achard, which were adopted.

Mrs. Fisher moved that the finance report be deferred until one-thirty.

The motion prevailed.

A motion to adjourn was carried, and the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Mr. Wilsey.

Closing Session, Thursday Afternoon.

The committee convened at one-thirty, with the president in the chair. Rev. Mr. Gilder, of India, conducted the opening devotional exercises. The secretary was excused from reading the minutes of the morning session.

After a short address by the president, the Finance Committee reported the appropriations for 1903, as follows:

New England Branch		$38,084.25
New York	"	71,135.00
Philadelphia	"	34,000.00
Baltimore	"	16,531.00
Cincinnati	"	52,260.00
Northwestern	"	100,000.00
Des Moines	"	50,000.00
Minneapolis	"	22,598.00
Topeka	"	25,000.00
Pacific	"	14,000.00
Columbia River	"	6,000.00
Total		$429,608.25

Mrs. Crandon stated that the amount appropriated was not as much as received the past year, but the difference would be made up by the thank offering fund, and by bequests.

The report of this committee closed the business of the session.

The president called upon Mrs. Mary C. Nind to conduct the closing devotions. The missionaries expecting to return to their fields during the coming year and some going out for the first time were called to seats on the platform, and twenty-one responded. Hymn 810, "Go forth, ye heralds, in My name," was sung, and Miss Walden led in prayer. Each missionary spoke briefly of her joy in the prospect of returning to her work. After a short address by Mrs. Nind, the hymn, "Open now the crystal fountain," was sung, and Mrs. Knowles led in a closing prayer.

The thirty-third session of the General Executive Committee adjourned with the benediction by Rev. Dr. Fiedler.

Mrs. J. T. Gracey, *Recording Secretary.*

Report of Publication Committee.

I. *Resolved*, That in the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, the *Children's Missionary Friend*, and *Frauen-Missions-Freund*, we recognize an ever-increasing power in our work. Where read, enthusiasm is not only aroused, but sustained.

We congratulate the editors who are with us to-day. We remember with appreciation and love the one who has been translated.

II. WHEREAS, We are grateful for the substantial increase in the subscriptions to our periodicals during the past year, amounting to over seven thousand,

Resolved, That we will put forth a still greater effort this year to increase the subscriptions to thirty thousand for the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, fifty thousand for the *Children's Missionary Friend*, and five thousand for *Frauen-Missions-Fruend*. To this end we recommend that the plan adopted last year be continued and emphasized, which plan was as follows :

Each branch secretary of literature shall write a personal letter to each conference secretary, urging the matter of circulation, and asking that special effort be made to bring up the circulation to the figures named.

Each conference secretary shall write to each district secretary, and she in turn to each auxiliary agent for the *Friends*, such agents being requested to ask every woman in our church to take these papers. These agents, having completed the canvas should report to the district secretary, the district secretary to the conference secretary, and the conference secretary to the branch secretary of literature, who shall report to the *Friend*, thus completing the circuit.

In the branches where the office or agent of periodicals is recognized, the correspondence, as indicated above, shall be carried on by those officers rather than the secretaries named.

III. *Resolved*, That we recommend that for every ten new subscriptions or for every fifteen subscriptions, new or old, to the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, one additional copy be given, provided the entire list be sent to the publisher at one time.

IV. *Resolved*, That we recommend that the secretary of literature in every branch make special effort to introduce the *Frauen-Missions-Fruend* among students of German, into all seminaries and colleges in her territory, and that it always be found on our tables of literature.

V. *Resolved*, That we recommend the re-introduction of the Depart-
t of New Organizations into the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, the
ort to include the name of the branch, the number of members
lled, and the number of subscribers to our periodicals:

VI. *Resolved*, That we recommend inserting in the columns of the
man's Missionary Friend a list of the wives of missionaries who are
harge of woman's foreign missionary work, to follow a list of regu-
/ appointed missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary So-
y.

VII. *Resolved*, That we recommend the continuance in office of
s Louise M. Hodgkins as editor of the *Woman's Missionary Friend*,
Mrs. O. W. Scott as editor of the *Children's Missionary Friend*, and
selection of Miss A. M. Achard as editor of the *Frauen-Missions-
und.*

VIII. *Resolved*, That the editor of the *Woman's Missionary Friend*
allowed $50 and the editor of the *Children's Missionary Friend* $25
special contributions.

IX. WHEREAS, It is very important that the *Woman's Missionary
end* keep us thoroughly in touch with our work in the foreign
d,

Resolved, That we recommend the use of a larger number of articles
n each of the fields where we are at work, and we request our mis-
naries to furnish such articles, with illustrations when possible, con-
ning the progress of our work, cases of conversions and growth in
istian work, which God has given us in answer to our united toil and
yers.

X. We further recommend that the following salaries be paid for
ensuing year: To the editor of the *Woman's Missionary Friend*,
0; to the editor of the *Children's Missionary Friend*, $250; to the
or of the *Frauen-Missions-Freund*, $250; to the publisher, $700.

XI. *Resolved*, That we recommend that Miss Elizabeth Northup be
ted editor of the *Study* at a salary of $100 per year.

XII. *Resolved*, That we recommend an appropriation of $50 for the
ing of the Thirty-third Annual Report of the Woman's Foreign
sionary Society, and that the recording secretary, Mrs. J. T. Gracey,
continued as editor.

XIII. *Resolved*, That we recommend an edition of 6,000 copies of
Thirty-third Annual Report, the contents to be published in the same
er as observed last year, with the exception that the appropriations,
the summary of the same, shall follow the official correspondence,
that the rules of pronunciation be omitted or brought up to date.

XIV. *Resolved*, That 25,000 copies of the abridged annual report

be printed; that it be paid for by the various branches and distributed as a free leaflet to auxiliaries. We recommend that a copy be sent to each pastor in our church, so far as practicable.

XV. *Resolved*, That we recommend the insertion in all branch annual reports of a table stating extremes of cost for special work, such as bible-women, orphans and scholarships.

XVI. *Resolved*, That the maps of the mission fields be retained in the annual report.

XVII. *Resolved*, That the issue of the Prayer Calendar for 1904 be at least four thousand copies.

XVIII. We recommend that the annual report and all branch reports be printed in dark blue on light-blue covers, and that the title and year be printed on the back. We recommend that Folts' Mission Institute and the periodicals of the society, the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, the *Children's Misssionary Friend*, the *Frauen-Missions-Freund*, and the *Study*, be advertised on the covers of the annual and the different branch reports.

XIX. WHEREAS, At branch and district meetings literature has been sold independently,

Resolved, That only our authorized agents sell literature at such meetings.

WHEREAS, The calendar for 1903 is especially devoted to the birthdays of missionaries,

Resolved, That each branch provide calendars for its own representatives.

XX. *Resolved*, That we recommend that Mrs. Lucie F. Harrison be elected general secretary of Children's Work, including Light Bearers.

XXI. *Resolved*, That the careful and painstaking work of our publisher, Miss Walden, who during the past twenty years of faithful and efficient service has carried so cheerfully the ever-increasing burdens placed upon her, calls for an expression of gratitude from this committee. We recommend her continuance in office for another year.

XXII. *Resolved*, That with continued appreciation we express our gratitude to Mr. A. S. Weed, as auditor, for valuable service willingly given, and recommend his reappointment.

XXIII. *Resolved*, That $100 be appropriated to be at the disposal of the Literature Committee, for use in the purchase of manuscript.

XXIV. WHEREAS, One year ago the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society decided to create a permanent scholarship fund for Folts Institute, to be raised within three years, we recommend that earnest effort be made to complete this work according to the plan already adopted, which plan is as follows: $100 for each district of the New England, New

York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Cincinnati branches; $100 for each conference in the Northwestern branch; $50 for each conference in the Minneapolis, Des Moines and Topeka branches; and $100 each for the Pacific and Columbia River branches, to be raised within three years. We further recommend that as far as practicable gifts from individuals, rather than from auxiliaries, be solicited in the raising of this fund.

XXV. *Resolved*, That we recommend the insertion in line 7, Art. VI., of the by-laws of the Executive Committee the words, "the Literature Committee" between the words "editor" and "publisher", so that the line shall read, "Reports of the Editors, Literature Committee and Publisher."

XXVI. We recommend that Section IV. of by-law VIII. be amended, by including the words, "The committee shall report to the mid-year meeting of the Constitutional Publishing Committee and to the annual meeting of the General Executive Committee, so that the by-laws shall read, "The Literature Committee shall be nominated by the delegates from the above sections and elected by the General Executive Committee for a term of three years on the rotation plan. The committee shall report to the mid-year meeting of the Constitutional Publication Committee and to the annual meeting and the general executive."

XXVII. We recommend that Article VIII. of Section 8 of the by-laws be amended to read: "The postage and traveling expenses of the editors of the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, the *Children's Missionary Friend*, the *Frauen-Missions-Freund*, and the *Study*, of the publishers of these papers, and of members of the Literature Committee, to and from the sessions of the General Executive Committee, shall be paid from the funds of these publications.

XXVIII. In response to the request for blocks for the zenana paper, we recommend that Mrs. T. B. Neely and Miss P. J. Walden be elected as a committee to supply the need.

XXIX. We recommend that the treasurer of the Minneapolis Branch be authorized to draw on the funds of the Publishing House for $75 to be used in the interest of literature for the Scandinavian work, the same to be at the order of a committee composed of the secretary of the Minneapolis Branch and the secretary of Scandinavian work.

XXX. *Resolved*, That we appoint Mrs. Joyce to write Dr. William Henschen, editor of the *Sandebudet*, requesting him to grant us space semi-monthly for representing the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, that being the custom of our other church papers.

XXXI. We recommend that the resolution adopted last year authorizing a Field Reference Committee be incorporated as Section IV., Article 7 of the by-laws:—

Each Field Reference Committee shall be composed of such workers as each conference or mission shall elect. The duty of said Field Reference Committee shall be to consider all matters of general interest arising during the interims of their annual meetings or conferences, and to report the same to the Reference Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. No commuication to the Home Reference Committee shall be considered official without the signature of the chairman or secretary of the Field Reference Committee. Said Field Reference Committee may meet at stated times, or on call, according to their discretion. A majority vote of said Reference Committee shall be binding. Any action requiring the sanction of the home authorities must be made through the Field Reference Committee. This measure is intended in no way to prevent individual presentation to home authorities, but simply to indicate and maintain the purposes of the mission or conference as a unit.

MISS CLEMENTINA BUTLER, *Chairman.*
MRS. E. L. HARVEY, *Secretary.*

Report of Literature Committee.

To the General Executive of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society Mrs. R. H. Pooley, Mrs. C. F. Wilder and Miss Mary E. Holt, the Literature Committee, submit, through their chairman, Mrs. R. H. Pooley, the following for the year 1901-1902.

Dear Sisters: A year of remarkable success demands that we extend to you our sincere thanks for your hearty co-operation. It is said, "The Lord ever looks for co-workers, but too often He only gets on-lookers". We believe that the increase in the purchase of literature and subscriptions to our periodicals is largely due to the establishment of a vital connection with the individual, thus transforming the on-looker into a co-worker and proving anew that "Knowledge is the true and substantial basis of an interest in missions" and "The zeal that rises to the level of consecration is the zeal according to knowledge". The office of literature as a missionary force in evangelization, both at home and abroad, was fully understood by the heathen man who rejected the invitation of the Gospel in these words, "No, I do not wish to become a reader". For him to read was acknowleged allegiance to Christ; for women to read is acknowledged interest in missions.

Upon entering the second year under the present regime it was unfortunate that of necessity two of the committee were new; yet the willingness, interest, courage and ability exhibited by them is apparent in the results in both the eastern and western sections.

The field for this committee is opening so fast that already we feel as if the impetus came from without (*i. e.*, the literature work itself,) and not from within (*i. e.*, the Literature Committee).

Our first thought was how best to aid the various secretaries of literature in their branches; hence the issue of the leaflets, "*Instructions for Secretaries of Literature*," and "*Questions for Each Auxiliary to Answer*".

At the commencement of this year each member of the Literature Committee made herself or her secretaries of literature responsible for telling notices of our literature in all papers to which she might have access within her section or branch. Each branch depot of supplies was requested to furnish (free) samples of all new leaflets or other material issued by the Literature Committee to their branch secretary of literature that she may with knowledge advertise.

In accordance with the resolution concerning the "exhibition and sale of our literature", found on page 22 of the general executive report your committee prepared an exhibit for the Student Volunteer convention and interdenominational meeting held in Toronto, Canada. Free leaflets were distributed at the interdenominational meeting. The various meetings in our own country have been cared for by the different branches, that at Silver Bay, New York, by New York Branch, and that at Cleveland, Ohio, by Cincinnati Branch. Most excellent results have followed these exhibits.

PERIODICALS.—Since a resolution of the Publication Committee of last year urging an increase in subscriptions to our periodicals placed somewhat of responsibility upon the branch secretaries of literature, your chairman took pleasure in writing a personal letter to these various secretaries, requesting immediate and earnest effort. We believe that these consecrated agents for our periodicals have greater joy in the total increase of 7,169 subscriptions to our various monthly issues because they had a little share in the hard work. (See report of publisher and editors.) A Scotchman at the Ecumenical said: "How to make missionary periodicals prosper and secure their being read is the problem and almost the despair of committees." We trust we are commencing to solve the problem; we have not reached our goal, but we must press on.

Our worthy editor of the *Woman's Missionary Friend* has kindly given this committee a column, and ofttimes a page, for special news from this department. We trust the words from various pens have served a good purpose.

Many thanks are due the editor for her voluntary care of the above during the summer months.

THE READING COURSE. — The prescribed three-year course being completed, the following was outlined as the only reading receiving a certificate for the year 1902: *Woman's Missionary Friend*, 50 cents; "*Via Christi*," An Introduction to the Study of Missions, by Louise Manning Hodgkins; holiday edition, 60 cents; cloth cover, 50 cents; paper, 30 cents; "*Triumphs of the Cross*," by Grace Stephens, Superintendent Methodist Episcopal Zenana Mission, Madras, India; paper, 25 cents; Ecumenical Missionary Conference, New York, 1900; two volumes, $1.50. Including *Friend*, total cost, $2.55.

Appreciating the necessity of having the prescribed books in the hands of our constituency earlier than heretofore, the committee has already notified every secretary of literature of the work as outlined for 1903. We present to you a unique course, each book fresh from the press, prepared by a woman and bearing upon the subject of our interdenominational study, India. We place first and foremost our *Woman's*

Missionary Friend, 50 cents; "*Lux Christi*," An Outline Study of India, A Twilight Land, by Caroline Atwater Mason; cloth cover, 50 cents; paper, 30 cents; "*Mosaics From India*," by Margaret B. Denning, many years a missionary in India, $1.25; cheaper binding, $1.00; "*William Butler*," the Founder of Two Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, by his daughter, $1.00. Including *Friend*, total cost, $2.80. Two hundred and thirty-six persons have been reported by name as having completed the course for 1902.

THE CALENDAR.—Again we present to you a calendar, the fourth in our history, new in outline, cover and material, though retaining the same form. A calendar of birthdays of our missionaries in active service, as well as our leading officers, editors, and so forth, is a calendar long to be remembered, not only for the detailed work involved but for the many quotations from the pens of our gifted literary women still active in missionary service. The calendar months were prepared as usual by editors elected by the various branches, and the whole re-edited, for uniformity's sake, by Miss Mary E. Holt, who willingly and efficiently relieved the chairman during her critical illness. We believe that the monthly topics as selected from Galations 5-22 will aid the spiritual life of every purchaser. Let not a single auxiliary, as occurred this last year, report, "We do not own a calendar". The sales warranted an issue of a thousand more for the year 1903.

LESSON TOPICS.—In correspondence with Mrs. O. W. Scott, who prepares the topics for the children's lessons, and by consultation with Mrs. M. S. Budlong, editor of the *Study*, your chairman outlined the Lesson Topics as found in the October *Friend*. Many suggestions were received too late for service this year. We were disappointed to find that the advance chapter divisions of "*Lux Christi*," as sent to your committee, did not correspond with the chapters of "*Lux Christi*" as now printed; and since our topics must be prepared in July, it is impossible to have the book in hand. Please note that the lessons for the months of February, March, April, September, October and November will correspond with the six chapters of "*Lux Christi*". The phenomenal success of the study of our text-book, "*Via Christi*," is found in the sales of our depots of supplies, every branch having taken up the work with vigor. Total volumes sold, including the Boston office, 8,414, the largest number being sold in Northwestern Branch, 1,811.

LEAFLETS.—In accord with the request from the Constitutional Publication Committee, the leaflet, "*Our Machinery*," by Mrs. A. N. Fisher, was revised and issued in new form, and the leaflets requested for South America, "*The Land of the Incas*" and "*South America as a Mission Field*", were prepared by Mrs. A. H. Eaton, from an article by Dr.

Thomas B. Wood. One story has been issued, entitled, "*The Woman Who Gave Herself*," by Elizabeth Cheney, reprinted from the *Friend* according to request from the New York Branch. "*A Call to Young Women*," by Miss Isabella Thoburn, was a reprint. "*One Summer Day in India*," by Miss Helen Ingram, has been published. A request from Dr. J. F. Berry elicited the following resolution from the corresponding secretaries at their mid-year meeting:—"*Resolved*, That the Constitutional Publication Committee request the Literature Committee to prepare a suitable manual for the W. F. M. S.:—that we issue 10,000 copies, of which 5,000 may be sent to the office of the *Epworth Herald* for free distribution among the Epworth Leagues." Six thousand copies of this booklet, "*Amid Our Work*," have been delivered at the office of the *Epworth Herald*. Many thanks are due Miss Frances J. Baker for the preparation of this booklet and the assistance rendered your chairman in her time of extremity. The leaflets to accompany the Lesson Topics were: "*Leaflet Report*," by Mrs. J. T. Gracey, "*The Vision of Oswald*," by Mrs. M. A. P. Stansbury, "*Our Work in Mexico*," by Mrs. John W. Butler, and "*The Story of the Twentieth Century Thank-Offering*," by Mrs. C. S. Winchell. When we make a new venture, as in the issue of the "*Drill on the Executive Report*", we quote with great satisfaction from a most enterprising branch chairman of literature:—"Of all the leaflets issued this year none has met with greater success in the experience of your committee than those entitled "*A Drill on the Executive Report*" and "*Helpful Hints*", by our keen, aggressive Miss Frances Baker. The "*Drill*" proved a searchlight, and its use in a meeting frequently discovered how little attention had been paid to the executive report. Notwithstanding the consternation it produced, we hope for another leaflet of the same kind next year." The Pioneer Series, by Mrs. O. W. Scott, has been continued in the issue of No. 3, "*Adoniram Judson*"; No. 4, "*Robert Morrison*"; and No. 5, "*Melinda Rankin*". We expect the completion of the series in the near future.

A much needed leaflet was prepared by Miss Agnes McAllister on "*The Women of Liberia*". We are sure you will give our latest booklet, "*Glimpses of the W. F. M. S. Girls' Boarding School, Peking*," a most hearty welcome. It is full of illustrations, and was prepared by Mrs. Charlotte M. Jewell. "*A Missionary Game of Photographs*," by Mrs. Mary Warren Ayars, will be found very instructive as well as entertaining.

The Little Light Bearers have this year received their first official recognition in the circulation of the following delightful helps:—"*Why Be a Little Light Bearer?*" by Caroline F. Smith; "*Christian Motherhood*," by Alice P. McKinstry; "*Motherhood in Heathen Lands*," by

Clara M. Cushman; "*Little Light Bearer,*" a poem, by Mrs. J. H. Knowles; "*Only a Baby Small,*" selected.

The following: "*Little Light Bearer Echoes,*" "*Beginning in the Cradle,*" "*Hints on Best Methods,*" "*Childhood in Heathen Lands,*" "*Little Light Bearer Circulars,*" "*Little Light Bearer Program,*" "*An Appeal to Auxiliaries,*" and "*Record Book*" were prepared by Mrs. Lucie F. Harrison.

Owing to demand, the following leaflets have been reprinted:—"*Our Proportion,*" "*Umbrellas to Lend,*" "*Mrs. Pickett's Mite-Box,*" "*No Room,*" "*Japan,*" (Flag Series), "*China,*" (Flag Series), "*Haystack Prayer Meeting,*" "*He Saveth to the Uttermost,*" "*Wanted: Only a Woman's Hand,*" "*Medical Missionaries,*" "*Missionary Recitation,*" "*How Chinese Children Worship,*" "*Tell Me His Name,*" "*Hindu Darkness.*"

BRANCH PUBLICATIONS.—It is with pleasure we note that, in compliance with a resolution on page 38 of the thirty-second annual report, no books have been published by any branch. One piece of music, entitled, "*What Will It Matter, Dearest?*" was issued by Northwestern Branch. There have been distributed this year 21,257 copies of branch annual reports, with a total of 2,187,320 pages. Four of these were distributed free and seven sold at the nominal price of ten cents each. Two four-page branch quarterlies have been issued: Minneapolis *Quarterly*, with an issue of 750 per quarter, total issue, 3,000, total pages, 24,000; Cincinnati *Quarterly*, with an issue of 1,200 per quarter, one of the quarterlies being six pages, making a total issue of 4,800 copies and total pages, 21,600.

The leaflet report by branches is yet very incomplete. *New England:* One 4 pp. leaflet, "*How Our Helpers Help,*" 5,000 copies, 20,000 pages; 4 pp. Thank-Offering Leaflet, "*According to His Benefits,*" 8,000 copies, 32,000 pages. *Baltimore Branch:*—4 pp. "*Story of Little Light Bearer,*" 3,000 copies, 12,000 pages; 4 pp. "*Quarterly Report,*" 300 copies, 1,200 pages; 4 pp. "*Easter Appeal,*" 4,500 copies, 18,000 pages; "*Imperative Necessity,*" 5,000 copies, 20,000 pages; 2 pp. "*Picture,*" 5,000 copies, 10,000 pages; 1 p. "*Easter*", 4,000 copies. *Cincinnati Branch:*—4 pp. "*An Appeal,*" 5,000 copies, 20,000 pages; 4 pp. poem, "*The Master's Work-Women,*" 1,000 copies, 4,000 pages; 4 pp. "*Tribute to Isabella Thoburn,*" 2,800 copies, 11,200 pages; 10 pp. "*Missionary Drill,*" 1,000 copies, 10,000 pages. *Northwestern Branch:*—4 pp. "*Thank-Offering Appeal,*" 15,000 copies, 60,000 pages; 3 pp. leaflet on "*Kolar,*" 10,000 copies, 30,000 pages; 4 pp. "*Standard Bearer Leaflets,*" Nos. 1, 2 and 3, 10,000 copies each, 120,000 pages; Poem, "*A Lady,*" 10,000 pages. *Minneapolis Branch:*—6 pp. "*The Charlotte S. Winchell Home,*" 1,000

copies, 6,000 pages. *Columbia River Branch:*—4 pp. "*Standard Bearer Leaflet,*" 2,000 copies, 8,000 pages. Total pages of leaflets, 407,200.

GERMAN LITERATURE.—Annual reports, 4,000 copies, 128,000 pages; 2 pp. letter from Miss Nicolaisen, 2,000 copies, 4,000 pages; "*They Have Done What They Could,*" 2,500 copies, 20,000 pages; "*Special Work,*" (compiled by Miss L. C. Rothweiler), 1,000 copies, 8,000 pages; "*Co-Heirs,*" 1,000 copies, 4,000 pages; "*Manual,*" 6,000 copies, 24,000 pages; "*Standard Bearer Pledge Cards,*" 6,000 copies, do. "*Leaflet No. 1,*" 1,000 copies, 4,000 pages; a poem, "*Two Pictures,*" 200 copies, 800 pages; "*Questions and Answers*" (concerning the history of the W. F. M. S., 2,000 copies, 16,000 pages; "*A House But No Home,*" 4,000 copies, 32,000 pages; Mite-Boxes, 1,975. More attention was given to German literature than ever before, with eminent success.

LITERATURE FROM THE FOREIGN FIELD.—In accordance with the Publication Committee of last year, a new departure has been made, in that your chairman has entered into correspondence with all the mission fields concerning the literature prepared upon the foreign field by women for women. Eager and appreciative have been the letters from the far lands. Many sample copies of women's conference reports, Sunday School papers, leaflets, and so forth, were found in the exhibit room.

China:—Foochow conference publishes a monthly paper for women and girls, a monthly romanized paper for women, both in the colloquial dialect, while a weekly Sunday school lesson paper, edited by Mrs. Emma Nind Lacy, is published for the children. Two women's conferences publish minutes of their proceedings.

India:—The Zenana paper is published in five dialects. (See report of Zenana Paper.) Three districts issue minutes in the vernacular for the women; while five conferences issue reports of their proceedings. Korea publishes a report of her woman's conference.

Japan:—A most delightful letter, explanatory of the leaflets, accompanied the following report from Miss Georgiana Baucus:—

Literature published October, 1901-September, 1902:—Booklets: "*The Grub and the Dragon-Fly,*" 3 editions, 12 pp., 1,000 copies; "*The Butterfly's Request,*" 2 editions, 15 pp., 1,000 copies; "*The Proud Grain of Rice,*" 2 editions, 22 pp., 1,000 copies; "*The Bee Strike,*" 1 edition, 19 pp., 1,000 copies; "*Parables of Nature,*" 1 edition, 71 pp., 1,000 copies; "*The Lord's Supper,*" 2 editions, 22 pp., 1,000 copies; "*The Lord's Prayer,*" 1 edition, 15 pp., 2,000 copies; "*Joseph's Father,*" 1 edition, 41 pp., 1,000 copies; "*English Catalogue,*" 14 pp., 600 copies; "*Japanese Catalogue,*" 14 pp., 630 copies. Total, 10,230 copies.

Leaflets:—"*The Invisible God,*" 3 editions, 6 pp., 5,000 copies; "*Not a Sinner,*" 1 edition 7 pp., 5,000 copies; "*The Gospel in Ideograph,*" 2 editions, 1 p., 5,000 copies; "*Taikyo Dendo,*" 1 edition, 22 pp., 4,000

copies; "*Christmas Song Leaflet*," No. 2, 3 pp., 500 copies; "*Christmas Gifts*," 2 editions, 7 pp., 2,000 copies. Total, 21,500 copies. Total pages of booklets and leaflets, 423,720.

Cards: — "Jesus at Twelve" (single), 3,000 copies; "Cross and Crown" (four-leaved), 2,000 copies; "No Evil" (folio), 3,000 copies; "Without Spot" (folio), 2,000 copies; "Golden Rules for Christians" (folio), 3,000 copies; Name or Place Cards, in five designs, 5,000 copies; Bible Book-marks, with blanks for notices, 5,000 copies; "Noshi," or Gift-markers, 3,000 copies; Temperance Cards (folio), 5,000 copies; Promise Cards (Rainbow Series), 49,000 copies; Railway Cards, 20,000 copies. Total, 100,000 copies.

Increase in subscriptions to the *Tokiwa;*—Issued in September, 1898, 300 copies; in September, 1899, 350 copies; in September, 1900, 400 copies; in September, 1901, 550 copies; in September, 1902, 725 copies. In addition to the above, fifty extra copies are printed monthly, to issue as bound volumes.

Japan also issues a Woman's Conference Report, and the *Kwassui Quarterly*.

Leaflets issued from Oct. 1, 1901, to Oct. 1, 1902:— New Leaflets, 134,000 copies, 1 628,000 pages; Little Light Bearer's Leaflets, 55,600 copies, 203,200 pages; Reprints, 66,000 copies, 482,000 pages; German Leaflets, 29,700, copies, 236,800 pages; Japan Leaflets and Cards, 131,730 copies, 523,720 pages; Branch Leaflets, 141,657 copies, 2,639,120 pages (a very meagre report); Total copies, 558,687; total pages, 5,712,840.

Six hundred auxiliaries responded to the call for sample programs; 194 branch, quarterly, district, camp and conference meetings were held, at which the literature sales amounted to $1,237.49, an increase of $965.85. The total sales of literature at Depots of Supplies were $8,137.68, an increase of $2,888.06. The total number of mite boxes sent out this year was 37,381, an increase of 16,603. Sixty-eight cities were reported as having libraries paying special attention to missionary books and periodicals. Over 1,000,000 pages of literature have been distributed free. Ten new names of writers of merit have been reported. Fifteen hundred auxiliaries are reported as using the Monthly Lesson Topics outlined by the Literature Committee.

Many thanks are due the devoted writers for this department, as only $26 was expended for manuscripts.

Our treasurer reports a net balance of $523.51.

It is recorded that one of the Pharaohs of Egypt built a great library at Thebes, over the door of which he had inscribed, "Dispensary for the Soul." May we be as wise as the old Egyptian and make use of the medicine for our souls, thus helping to answer the prayer, "Grant us in this world knowledge of Thy truth and in the world to come life everlasting."

Report of Committee on Missionary Candidates.

The applications and endorsements of the following missionary candidates were received and accepted by the committee :

New York Branch — Minerva Gutthaffel, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Helen Robinson, Bombay, India; Mabel Davison, Tokio, Japan; Esther R. Henderson, Herkimer, N. Y.; Laura Temple, Hoboken, N. J.; B. Alexander, Prince Edward's Island, Newfoundland.

Northwestern Branch—Lou Frances Passmore, Chicago, Ill.

Minneapolis Branch—Annie Mary Zimmerman, Spring Valley, Minn.

Topeka Branch — Dr. Mary B. Tuttle, Colorado Springs, Colo.; Winifred Spaulding, Kansas City, Kansas.

Accepted by Reference Committee during year :

New England Branch—Miss Edith T. Swift, Newtonville, Mass.

Philadelphia Branch—Miss Sarah B. Turner, Pittsburg, Pa.

Baltimore Branch—Miss Maud E. Soper, Tokio, Japan.

Cincinnati Branch—Miss Lotta McHose, Delaware, Ohio.

Northwestern Branch—Miss Thirza M. Pierce, Bartlett, Ill.

Des Moines Branch—Miss Mabel Sia, Foochow, China; Miss Bertha M. Beard, Indianola, Iowa; Miss Rose M. Pyne, Vinton, Iowa; Miss Susannah M. Stumpf, Ottumwa, Iowa ; Miss Joah Davis, Fayette, Iowa.

We heartily endorse the action of the Committee of Reference.

MRS. S. L. BALDWIN, *Chairman.*
MRS. F. J. MASTERS, *Secretary.*

Resolutions of Reference Committee.

In view of the dearth of missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Misonary Society in India,

Resolved, That we respectfully memorialize Bishops Thoburn and 'arne not to appoint any of our missionaries to open new work, or to go new stations.

Resolved, That the Committee on Property Titles, Mrs. C. D. Foss id Mrs. W. B. Davis, be authorized to revise the list of property values published in the annual report.

Resolved, That any balance from interest pledged for Peking borwed fund be applied on Rosario building.

IN MEMORIAM—MRS. ACHARD.

Eight years ago there came into the sisterhood of corresponding cretaries a gentle, cultured, intelligent co-worker in the person of Mrs. 1. Jacoby Achard, who had been for four years editor of the German *riend*. We have kept sweet company all these years of service, and hile bowing in humble submission to the will of the Heavenly Father in moving her from us, we wish to record our sense of loss, not only as a ommittee, but as sisters in the Lord; therefore,

Resolved, That in the translation of Mrs. Achard, we, as members f the Committee of Secretaries, recognize the will of our Father, who is too wise to err, too good to be unkind," and bow in humble submison to that will. We pray that on her co-workers may fall a double porion of her spirit.

Resolved, That to the German sisterhood we express our appreciaon of the work she did for them and for our Father, through this ociety.

Resolved, That to the bereaved family of our sister we extend our enderest sympathy and earnestly pray the God of all comfort to abide vith them.

Resolutions of Missionaries.

We, the missionaries present at the thirty-third annual session of the General Executive Committee, desire to place on record our warm appreciation of the motherly love and kindness shown to us in word and deed by the secretaries of our respective branches.

The thoughtful care which supplies all our need and the large-hearted sympathy shown us under all circumstances, at home or on the field, are constant causes for wonder and gratitude.

We can only feel that God, in His infinite tenderness, has implanted this love in their hearts for our comfort and encouragement.

We wish hereby to assure them that the nobleness of their characters, and their untiring devotion to the cause which we represent, have led us prayerfully to resolve that we will in all things strive to be worthy of the love they bear us and the confidence they place in us.

Signed: ANNIE NEWTON BUDDEN, *India.*
ANNA V. BING, *Japan.*
CARRIE M. PURDY, *Mexico.*
IDA MAY BOWNE, *Italy.*
LYDIA A. TRIMBLE, *China.*

We, the missionaries present at the thirty-third annual meeting of the General Executive Committee, feel that the friends in Minneapolis have entertained us in such an exceptionally royal manner that we desire personally to offer them our hearty thanks. They have not only given us every comfort and convenience in their own homes, but have also provided car fare, trolley rides and other pleasures, which have added much to the happy memories of our stay in their city.

Signed: FANNIE A. PERKINS, *Burma.*
FRANCES CRAIG, *Calcutta.*
CLARA E. MERRILL, *China.*
FANNY G. WILSON, *Japan.*
IDA MAY BOWNE, *Italy.*

Report of Committee on Resolutions.

We, the members of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, in executive committee assembled, hereby publicly acknowledge the wonderful blessings which have crowned our work during the past year, and enabled us to come with rejoicing to this annual feast, bearing our gift of $478,236 to place upon the altar for the work of the Lord. We return thanks unto Him, where is "the wisdom and the might and the power".

Resolved, That we solemnly pledge ourselves to renewed consecration and effort for the coming year.

Resolved, That we gratefully recognize the efficient services of our president, Mrs. C. D. Foss, whose firm but gracious ruling has guided us through the session, and of our recording secretary, Mrs. J. T. Gracey, to whose exactness we are indebted for the accuracy and completeness of our annual report, and of our missionaries, who have contributed so largely to the enthusiasm of the session.

WHEREAS, Our loving and all-wise Father has during the past year called from labor to reward so many of our representatives and loyal supporters; therefore,

Resolved, That while we are grieved over the blow to the work caused by the sudden death of Miss Delia L. Fuller, who had so courageously carried the work alone at Sironcha, India, we rejoice that she now sees "face to face" Him for whom she gave fifteen years of such faithful service.

Resolved, That the noble end of the devoted life of Dr. Lilian Harris, of Korea, most beautifully exemplifies the words, "Greater love hath no man than this, that he lay down his life for his friends," as she did for her Korean sister. We extend to the afflicted parents our tenderest sympathy.

Resolved, That we sincerely mourn over the great loss we experience in the death of Miss Mary DeF. Loyd; that we recognize the effectiveness of her seventeen years of labor in Mexico City. Always an apt scholar, she has completed her course and won her reward. May God's consoling grace sustain her aged parents in this sore bereavement.

Resolved, That while our hearts are saddened by her early departure, yet we can rejoice over the triumphant translation of Josephine Mekkelson. Her plea was, "Let Africa not be given up. Here are precious

souls. I am so glad you let me come." All was "light, glorious light," as she entered the eternal city. We extend our deepest sympathy to the brave mother, who writes: "If I had other daughters I would give them to the work."

Resolved, That we will hold in continual remembrance the years of devoted service for India of Mrs. Anna Jones Thoburn, wife of our beloved Bishop Thoburn, whom God has so recently taken to Himself. Also, that we assure her bereaved husband and children that we suffer with them in this night of sorrow.

Resolved, That while we mourn, there can be no grief for one whose "Heimgang" was so victorious as that of our sister Mrs. Ph. Achard, who for thirteen years has been editor of the *Frauen-Missions-Freund* and superintendent of the German work. The Comforter, who sustained the mother in the varied experiences of her long and useful life, will give consolation to her loved ones.

Resolved, That we share in the grief which has come to the home of our co-laborer, Mrs. E. E. Baldwin. We mourn the departure from earthly activities of our brother beloved, faithful friend and wise counsellor, Dr. S. L. Baldwin.

Resolved, That we hereby express our sincere appreciation of the unusual character of the labor put forth for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society by the Rev. Wm. E. Curtis, of Penang. Truly he gave his life for our work. For the sorrowing wife we pray the strengthening presence of the best Friend.

Resolved, That we sympathize with Mrs. H. G. Appenzeller, of Korea, in the great and sudden affliction which has come to her in the loss of her devoted husband. May the presence of the highest sustain her.

Resolved, That we greatly appreciate the rest and comfort made possible to our missionaries during the past year by Mrs. Henry Foster's gift of a free bed in the Clifton Springs Sanitarium. We renew our sincere thanks for this kind provision.

Resolved, That we regret the necessity which has compelled Mrs. M. S. Budlong to resign her position as editor of the *Study*, and we express our appreciation of her valuable work, which has resulted in bringing the *Study* to a high degree of excellence.

WHEREAS, Mrs. L. A. Alderman, for more than twenty-four years secretary of the New England Branch, who has seen its growth from the day of small things to its present vigorous condition, has been obliged to pass the burden of the work into other hands; therefore,

Resolved, That we congratulate her on the honorable record of loving, unselfish service, and the New England Branch that they still have the wise council and coöperation of this devoted servant of God.

Resolved, That we welcome her successor, Miss M. E. Holt, and ray that her work may prove equally effective.

Resolved, That, while we prize the ancient banners which for many ears have led victorious hosts, we are indebted to the ladies of the Min-eapolis Branch for their freshened appearance in their new dress.

Resolved, That we express our gratitude for the hospitality so enerously shown us, to the trustees of Wesley Church for the use of ıeir beautiful edifice, so well adapted to our needs; to the pastor, Dr. ımes Montgomery, not only for his words of hearty welcome, but for is daily attendance at our sessions and his willing assistance whenever alled upon; and to the chairman of the music committee, the organist nd soloists for their valuable help in our public services.

Resolved, That we express our gratitude to the various local com-ıittees for their unflagging zeal in executing the many details which ave contributed so largely to the successful conduct of this meeting. We cknowledge our deep indebtedness to Mrs. Mary C. Landis and her ides for their many acts of kindness. We would especially mention the ommittee of reception, whose duties extended through so many weary ours, the committee on luncheon, who made possible so much social njoyment as we partook daily of the dainty food prepared for us; Mr. ontell and the Minneapolis dry goods store, who so tastefully furnished ur much needed rest room; the ushers and pages who were ever ready) serve us; those who provided the fragrant flowers and the beautiful ecorations which have added so greatly to our pleasure; and the sexton.

Resolved, That we most cordially acknowledge the courtesy of the ommercial Club of Minneapolis, whereby we enjoyed the delightful ride ırough the Twin Cities; received our beautiful badge pins and were pre-ented with the fine pictorial booklets. We return our hearty thanks for ıese favors.

Resolved, That we are grateful indeed to the ladies of St. Paul dis-ict, who so pleasantly received us at the home of Mrs. George H. Iillman, in St. Paul; and to Mrs. Joyce for the delightful evening of ɔcial converse made possible by her hospitality.

Resolved, That we hereby thank the railroad secretaries for the xcellent arrangements they were able to make for reduced fares; also ɔr the special car provided by the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad.

Resolved, That we express our thanks to Mr. Werring of the new tore for the secretaries' tables.

Resolved, That our thanks are due to the representatives of the ɔress, who have so carefully reported our proceedings.

MISS CLEMENTINA BUTLER,
MRS. E. L. HARVEY,
MISS KATE E. MOSS.

Report of Committee on Children's Work.

The committee appointed by the General Executive Committee in Philadelphia in November, 1901, to prepare a plan for Children's Work in connection with the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, desires to submit the following report:

We recommend for universal adoption by all the branches the following items;

Name.—King's Heralds.

Badge.—A silver trumpet with the monogram K H in blue.

Colors.—Silver and blue.

Watchword.—Loyalty.

Motto.—The King's Business Requireth Haste.

Message.—Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

Benediction.—Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom.

Mite-Box.—A mite-box in silver and blue, uniform in design, shall be furnished at head-quarters or by each branch if desired.

Pledge.—

I pledge to give and work and pray
To send the Gospel o'er sea,
That heathen children soon may know
That God loves them as He loves me.

Officers.—We recommend the following: A general secretary of Children's Work, to superintend also the Department of Little Light Bearers, who shall be elected by the General Executive Committee, shall attend the sessions of that body and present an annual report. A secretary of Children's Work in each branch, the branch secretaries and the general secretary of Children's Work to compose the Advisory Board. We also recommend a department of this work in every auxiliary, supervised by a woman who shall see that the children in her church are properly organized for our missionary work.

Duties.—The general secretary of Children's Work shall supervise the entire work and report annually to the General Executive Committee; she shall also serve as the chairman of the Advisory Board. Each branch secretary of Children's Work shall further the work in her branch,

through the regular conference and district secretaries. She shall see that the work is represented at her annual branch meeting and shall report quarterly to the branch corresponding secretary and the general secretary of Children's Work.

The department of children's work in the local auxiliary shall see that prompt quarterly reports be sent to the district secretary; that the money is promptly sent to the conference or branch treasurers; and that an interesting monthly program is provided for the children.

Organizations.—1. We recommend the organizing of King's Heralds wherever possible.

2. Where organization is impracticable, arrangements should be made for regular and definite work whereby the children shall become interested in the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

Special Work.—1. We recommend that each year the Reference Committee, in the May meeting, in conference with the general secretary of Children's Work, select some special object to be assigned to the children and that all branches, as far as practicable, include it in their appropriations and loyally unite in it.

2. We recommend that such money raised by the children be reported quarterly to the editor of the *Children's Missionary Friend* by the branch treasurers.

Magazine.—1. We recommend that the *Children's Missionary Friend* be made the official organ of the King's Heralds; that the branch secretary of Children's Work shall have general oversight of the circulation of the paper in her branch, and shall send to the editor such reports as shall satisfactorily represent the work of the children in her branch.

2. We strongly recommend that the *Children's Missionary Friend* be enlarged to sixteen pages to allow room for the additional reports demanded by our increased work.

3. We recommend that special effort be made by the local chairman of Children's Work to introduce the *Children's Missionary Friend*, the only foreign missionary paper for children published by our Methodist Episcopal Church, into the Sunday Schools, to be distributed on Missionary Sunday.

Constitution.—We recommend the following constitution for the King's Heralds:

Article I. *Name.*—This organization shall be called the King's Heralds of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and be under the supervision of the auxiliary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in the said church, if any exist; otherwise under the especial supervision of the district secretary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

Article II. *Object.*—The object of this organization shall be to pro-

mote missionary intelligence and interest among the children and to aid in the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Article III: *Membership.*—Any child between the ages of eight and fourteen may become a King's Herald by the payment of two cents a month. The payment of ten dollars shall constitute a child's life membership.

Article IV. *Officers.* — The officers of this organization shall be a superintendent, president, two vice-presidents, recording secretary, corresponding secretary, treasurer and agent for the *Children's Missionary Friend.*

Article V.—*Meetings.*— Meetings of this organization shall be held on the . . . . . of each month. The officers shall be elected semi-annually, at the September and March meetings.

Article VI. *Badge.*—The badge of this organization shall be a silver button with "King's Heralds" in blue lettering.

BY-LAWS.

1. The superintendent shall have general oversight of the organization.

2. The president shall preside at the meetings.

3. The vice-presidents shall preside in the absence of the president in the order of their election.

4. The recording secretary shall see that proper notice is given of the meetings of the organization, and shall keep a record of the proceedings of each meeting.

5. The corresponding secretary shall promptly report the organization and names of life members to the district secretary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and also to the editor of the *Children's Missionary Friend;* conduct the correspondence of the organization; fill the blanks or quarterly reports and return the same to the district secretary on or before the . . . . of . . . . . .

6. The treasurer shall collect the dues of each member, keeping a book account, and shall send the money to the conference or branch treasurer, not later than the . . . of . . . . . .

7. The agent for the *Children's Missionary Friend* shall see that subscriptions for the paper are secured and renewed at the right time, and forward with the money to the publishers of the paper.

8. This constitution and by-laws may be amended at the annual meeting of the branch.

Reports.—We recommend the adoption of the following system of reports:

The local secretary shall report quarterly to the district secretary. The district secretary shall report quarterly to the conference secretary. The conference secretary shall report quarterly to the branch secretary of Children's Work. The branch secretary of Children's Work shall report quarterly to the branch corresponding secretary and the general secretary of Children's Work.

Expenses.—We recommend that the expenses of the office of general secretary of Children's Work be met from the treasury of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

(NOTE.—In places where the Little Light Bearers do not exist, the age limit may be changed.)

Report of Memorial Committee.

YOUNG WOMAN'S WORK AND STANDARD BEARERS.

WHEREAS, Since its introduction the Standard Bearer movement has proved very popular and successful; and

WHEREAS, Its growth has been so rapid, branching out in various ways and in different localities to meet a variety of needs, that the time has come when some uniform method of work must be agreed upon; in response to memorials received from several Branches, the following plan is recommended for adoption.

1. There shall be a general secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers, who shall be elected by the General Executive Committee, attend the sessions of that body and present an annual report.

2. There shall be a secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers in each branch, who shall be elected at the branch annual meeting.

3. Wherever desired, each conference may have a secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers.

4. Wherever desired, each district may have a secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers.

5. Names.--The members of this organization may be known as Standard Bearers of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Each local group may be called a Company of Standard Bearers. Each district group may be called a Battalion of Standard Bearers. Each conference group of one thousand may be called a Regiment of Standard Bearers. Each branch group may be called a Division of Standard Bearers. The general movement may be known as The Royal Army of Standard Bearers.

6. Organizations.—Companies of Standard Bearers shall be divided into two classes: Organized and contributing.

7. Wherever possible the companies of Standard Bearers shall be organized under the following constitution:

CONSTITUTION FOR YOUNG WOMAN'S AND STANDARD BEARER AUXILIARIES.

Article I. *Name.*—This organization shall be known as Standard Bearers of . . . . . auxiliary of the . . . . . branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church and subject to its constitution. *

* Wherever Y. W. F. M. S. or some other name than Standard Bearers is in use, it may be retained, if desired.

Article II. *Object.*—It shall be the object of this organization to arouse an interest in foreign missions among young people and to raise money to aid the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

Article III. *Membership.*—Section 1.—Young women may become members by signing the following pledge: "In remembrance of our Father's love and in loyalty to the great commission of our King, I will give five cents a month as dues to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church to aid in sending the Gospel to the Christless millions."

Sec. 2.—Young men may become honorary members upon the same conditions.

Sec. 3.—Any person desiring to aid in the work of the organization may become a contributing member by paying not less than five cents monthly.

Article IV. *Age Limit.*—Standard Bearers shall be fourteen years of age or over.*

*When children's organizations do not exist, the age limit does not apply.

Article V. *Officers.*—The officers of this organization shall be a president, two vice-presidents, recording secretary, corresponding secretary, treasurer and mite-box superintendent, who shall be elected at the annual meeting in . . . . and shall constitute an executive committee to administer the affairs of the organization.

Article VI. *Meetings.*—The regular meetings of this organization shall be held on the . . . . of each month.

Article VII. *Badge.*—The badge of this organization shall be the Church Pennant pin. The badge should not be worn by any person not paying dues.

BY-LAWS.

1. The president shall have general supervision over the work of the organization and preside at its meetings.

2. The vice-presidents shall preside in the absence of the president in the order of their election.

3. The recording secretary shall give due notice of all meetings and keep accurate minutes of the same.

4. The corresponding secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the organization and report to the district secretary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society not later than the . . . . of . . . . giving such items of information as will enable her to judge correctly of the condition of the organization. She shall solicit and forward subscriptions to the *Woman's Missionary Friend.*

5. The treasurer shall collect the membership dues and hold in trust the funds of the organization, keeping a book account and making a quarterly remittance to the conference treasurer of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society not later than . . . . No money contributed by the organization can be used for any other purpose than for the objects designated in the constitution.

6. The mite-box superintendent shall introduce mite-boxes among the young people of the church, collect and report the money to the local treasurer.

7. There shall be a standing committee on programs to provide literary exercises of a missionary character for monthly meetings.

8. This constitution and by-laws may be amended at the annual meeting of the General Executive Committee.

9. Companies of Standard Bearers not organized into auxiliaries shall have a secretary and treasurer appointed by the organizer at the time of enlistment. The organizer shall fill out and forward to the district secretary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and to the conference secretary of Young Women's Work and Standard Bearers an enlistment blank. It shall be the duty of the secretary to keep the pledge cards and list of members, to report quarterly to the district secretary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society; to receive and distribute letters and helps, and in every possible way to increase and deepen the interest in the work.

It shall be the duty of the treasurer to collect the dues and all other funds and forward them quarterly to the conference treasurer of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society.

10. Wherever possible, the secretary and treasurer shall arrange for a quarterly missionary meeting, at which news from the Standard Bearer missionary may be given, a missionary program rendered and new members solicited.

11. The support of a special missionary may be assigned to each conference having one thousand Standard Bearers and the dues of the Standard Bearers shall be appropriated to the support of these missionaries. The Standard Bearers shall be priviledged to apply the mite-box money and all other funds raised by the organization to any work of the

branch which they may desire, with the consent of the branch corresponding secretary.

12. A uniform, inexpensive mite-box in the Standard Bearer colors may be provided by each branch.

13. The following systems of reports shall be used: The secretary of the local company shall report quarterly to the district secretary of the W. F. M. S., who shall forward the same to the district secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers to her conference secretary. The district secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers shall report quarterly to the conference secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers. The conference secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers shall report quarterly to the branch secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers. The branch secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers shall report quarterly to the branch corresponding secretary or to the one appointed to receive such reports, and to the general secretary of the Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers. The general secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers shall report annually to the General Executive Committee.

14. The postage and traveling expenses to the General Executive Committee of the general secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers shall be met from the treasury of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

15. It shall be the duty of the general secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers to oversee the work in all the branches, with the branch secretaries of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers to devise plans for developing it, to represent the Standard Bearers at various young people's conventions, where possible, or to provide for such representation with the branch secretaries of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers residing in the territory in which the convention is to be held, and in every way endeavor to promote the work among young people.

16. It shall be the duty of the branch secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers to put in operation in the branch the plans thus formulated and to make any other plans for the development of the work in her branch.

17. It shall be the duty of the conference secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers in consultation with and approval of the conference secretary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society to plan for and extend the work as far as possible.

18. There shall be a Young Woman's and Standard Bearer Department of one page in the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, to be edited by the general secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers.

Report of Committee on Badge, Crest and Seal.

On page 25, executive report, 1901–1902, it will be noted that a committee consisting of Miss L. M. Hodgkins, Auburndale, Mass., Mrs. R. E. Clark, Chicago, Ill., and Miss C. J. Carnahan, Pittsburg, Pa., was appointed to consider the matter of an appropriate badge, crest and seal for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and to bring a report to the meeting at Minneapolis.

Your committee, aided by the president of the society and other interested officers, has made a careful study of church, academic and order insignia, and presents to you the accompanying design, of which the border will be in light blue, the color of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, the center of gold.

This same design, with the addition of the words in the border, "Of the Methodist Episcopal Church," they recommend in a larger size for the crest, and still larger for the seal. It is to be hoped that by wearing this symbol a warmer feeling of fraternity will be engendered, women interested in the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society may find the badge a means of introduction and good friendship, and that all the purposes of this society may be aided by the bearing of this outward sign of inward grace.

It is also recommended that the crest be on all official paper, and the larger seal on all reports, printed documents and general literature published by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

Respectfully submitted,

MISS L. M. HODGKINS,
MRS. R. E. CLARK,
MISS C. J. CARNAHAN.

Report of Home Work.

NEW ENGLAND BRANCH.

Includes the New England States.

OFFICERS.

President,	MRS. J. WAGNER, Wollaston, Mass.
Corresponding Secretary,	MISS MARY E. HOLT, 4 Berwick Park, Boston, Mass.
Home Secretary,	MISS CLEMENTINA BUTLER, Newton Centre, Mass.
Recording Secretary,	MRS. G. A. PHINNEY, Dorchester, Mass.
Sec'y of Young Women's Work,	MRS. C. S. NUTTER, St. Albans, Vt.
Secretary of Children's Work,	MRS. L. F. HARRISON, 1 Oberlin St., Worcester, Mass.
Treasurer,	MISS JULIETTE SMITH, Room 16, 36 Bromfield St., Boston, Mass.

The Lord has given a good degree of prosperity to the New England Branch this year. His blessing has been upon the work of all officers, conference and district, and upon the individual members, who, forgetful of themselves, and of seeming failures as well as real obstacles, have maintained a steady purpose to spread abroad the knowledge of salvation from sin, through Christ the Lord—the only name given whereby any can be saved. The loyalty of very many of our constituency has never been more successfully tested than during the history of the last year, and there has been no depreciation in earnestness of effort, or enthusiasm for the cause we love so well.

The itineraries planned by the committee, and the literature provided and sent out, have increased the knowledge of our work and consequent interest in many of the auxiliaries.

The Standard Bearer movement is very popular, and if followed up with systematic persistency will prove a wonderful agency in inspiring and helping on many lives. We have tested the wisdom of this body in deciding to leave the matter of the *name* optional with each local organization to decide for themselves, as some prefer Young Woman's and some Standard Bearers. Of the latter the home secretary reports 4,478 members. There has been quite an increase of interest in assuming shares in the salaries of missionaries, which is a very hopeful sign.

The letters from Bishop Moore have been very enthusiastic over our missionaries in the Orient, but he deplores the great lack of workers in every field over which he has oversight. We sent Miss Sara H. Miller to Korea in January that she might have an opportunity to make a start in the language before the session of the conference. But the Bishop had arranged for her to go to Pyeng Yang. As Dr. Harris was removed very soon after Miss Miller's arrival there, it seemed quite an unfortunate introduction for her. But she has recovered somewhat from her great disappointment, and is giving herself to the work, and thinks now that she is in just the right place.

Miss Glover spent the summer in Seoul, and was much benefitted by her stay there. All our missionaries have now returned to their work in China. Only Mrs. Scranton is "home on leave." And we *must* pray most earnestly for more laborers for the harvest fields, and for the *means* to send and support them where they are so much needed. Our depot of supplies is a growing factor in the work, and we are looking for and fully expecting that He will show us how the great mass of uninterested Christian women, Methodist women, can be leavened with missionary fervor and zeal. After all, the most important part of our pledge is *prayer, prayer.* Let me right here quote from a letter received a few days since from Grace Stephens: "I wish you could see this great household, and all the machinery that is used. But there is one thing you may be sure of, and that is, I make prayer the foundation of every work, whether it be small or great. I have a room set apart in the house called the prayer-room. No worker is allowed to go to his or her work without first going into the prayer-room and there receiving Christ fully into their hearts before they set out to their work. This arrangement is for the workers who live on the premises, as well as for the outside workers. All have to come here daily into my prayer-room. You can imagine that the little room is occupied from six o'clock in the morning to late in the evening. I have also weekly whole days of prayer". After listening to this fact one may well cease to wonder at the marvelous, almost miraculous success of this mission in Madras. "They that honor me, I will honor," is His word. This branch supports twenty-two missionaries, twenty assistants, one hundred and forty teachers and Bible-women, one hundred and ten day, city and village schools, with one thousand, four hundred and seventy-five pupils in them, has a part in thirty-six boarding schools, a part in twelve hospitals and dispensaries, and three hundred and fifty-eight scholarships and orphans.

MRS. L. A. ALDERMAN,
Corresponding Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance Oct. 1, 1901	$ 10,743.90
Receipts from Oct. 1, 1901, to Oct. 1, 1902	43,039.97
Receipts previously reported	8,270.55
Loan	3,500.00
	$ 65,554.42

DISBURSEMENTS.

India	$ 18,861.85	
Malaysia	1,450.00	
Korea	1,993.50	
Japan	3,246.00	
China	9,938.38	
Bulgaria	265.00	
Italy	393.00	
South America	2,676.39	
Mexico	7,450.00	
Home salaries, outgoing and home-coming expenses of missionaries	2,548.92	
Miscellaneous	2,816.86	
		$ 51,639.90
		$ 13,914.52
Return of loan		7,200.00
Balance Oct. 1, 1902		$ 6,714.52

MARY E. HOLT, *Treasurer*,
4 Berwick Park, Boston, Mass.

NEW YORK BRANCH.

Includes New York and New Jersey.

President,	MRS. S. L. BALDWIN, 1218 Pacific Street, Brooklyn.
Corresponding Secretary,	MRS. H. B. SKIDMORE, 230 West 59th Street, New York.
Recording Secretary,	MRS. J. H. KNOWLES, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York.
Treasurer,	MRS. J. M. CORNELL, 29 East 37th Street, New York.

The thirty-second year of the New York Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, just closed, furnishes us with abundant reason for gratitude and thanksgiving.

All we desired has not been accomplished, and will not be until every woman in the Methodist Episcopal Church has pledged an interest in the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. And we believe the promise of God, in answer to prayer and faith, extends even to this.

Our conference and district secretaries and itineraries have faithfully performed their arduous duties.

The special work has been reported and greatly increased. The Young Woman's Society, we feel already, is an efficient agent in our missionary work, also the Little Light Bearers.

The reports from the missionaries in the foreign fields are full of interest. God, in answer to prayer, has given His blessed spirit to attest the truth and bless the faithful service of His servants. Blessed revival influences are felt in many of the mission stations, and the hearts of the heathen are drawn and turning to the Saviour, who is lifted up.

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When our Lord sent His twelve disciples to preach in the cities of Israel the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand, He told them to abide in the homes of the worthy, and not to provide for themselves, "for the workman is worthy of his meat." I think the Lord has judged the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society as worthy to care for the messengers He sends to proclaim the coming of the Kingdom of Heaven. We are devoutly thankful that He has enabled the Philadelphia Branch to make larger provision the past year than ever before. We have aimed for many years to reach an amount that would cover our appropriations, exclusive of bequests and thank offering. The past year we have reached that goal, and we give thanks to Him, through whom are all things. It has been a year marked by earnest prayer, great personal devotion, and untiring industry. These faithful laborers find their reward in the success that has been achieved.

With all appropriations met, the branch has given a veritable thank offering—Pittsburg conference has supplied the Industrial Home for Miss Adam's work in Foochow by $5,000. Thank offering, $3,000, has been given to the new school in Guanajuato, and the assessment for the purchase of property in the Philippines has been met. Through the gift of Miss Chambers at our last annual meeting, the Home in Gonda has been built, and a special donation of $500 was given to relieve the pressing need of Nagoya, Japan, until the remainder of the debt was paid by the sale of other property in Tokyo. Besides these extra amounts, there has been over $400 sent by individual request to objects not mentioned in the appropriations.

One misssionary has returned to Japan accompanied by a new laborer for that field. Another new laborer is waiting for company to go to

Baroda, India, making our total of representatives on the foreign field twenty-one, two of whom are self-supporting, and two are native physicians educated in this country. Returned missionaries have spoken at eighty-nine different meetings in the branch, and our indebtedness to these self-denying workers is greater than any of us can compute. The side lights of actual experience in the field emphasizes the need and the difficulties of preaching Christ, while the enthusiastic delight that these blessed women evidently take in their work, inspires their hearers to new activity as well as better comprehension of what it costs to give the truth to those who do not want it.

For the first time in its history of thirty-two years, Philadelphia Branch has to record the passing to reward of one of its foreign workers in the midst of her work, Miss Mary DeF. Loyd, for seventeen years at the head of Girls' School and Orphanage in Mexico City, was called from work promptly, faithfully executed with entire consecration of heart in April of the present year. Her loss is greatly felt in Mexico, and though those remaining there are endeavoring to give double diligence to supply the vacancy, they feel great need for a woman equally competent to take her place and carry on the ever increasing work.

There has been an increased demand for the support for special objects, which has been somewhat stimulated by the liberal use of the camera by Miss Williams, of Baroda, but there is also a growing understanding of the importance of less sensational work than orphans and bible-women. One society asked that their special fund might pay the taxes on one of our properties. Others have been willing to share in the support of teachers and itineraries.

The Standard Bearers movement has spread rapidly in some conferences and has a hold in all. Four of our missionaries have been adopted by as many conferences who are ambitious to accomplish their entire support. Wherever an enthusiastic, judicious leader enters this work, the young people rally around her, and an assured success follows.

The sales of literature have increased somewhat over 4 per cent. over last year; and the supply office keeps in circulation all necessary aids to missionary work. The international study has acted as a great stimulus to inquiry and intelligence in all missionary matters. Reading and study circles have been organized, auxiliaray meetings have grown more attractive as the members have looked up facts and fignres and informed themselves of the lives of saints and martyrs and this interest has drawn a larger attendance. *Via Christi* and its accompanying aids have wonderfully quickened attention in all work in missionary lands.

MRS. S. L. KEEN,
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TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

Sept. 30, 1901. To Balance	$ 9,068.12	
Oct. 1, 1901, to Oct. 2, 1902	43,491.07	
Total		$ 52,559.19
Oct. 1, 1901, to Oct. 1, 1902. Disbursements	$41,706.07	
Oct. 1, 1902. Balance	10,853.12	
		$ 52,559.19

MRS. THOMAS H. WILSON,
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"They are slipping away, these sweet swift years,
Like a leaf on the current cast;
With never a break in the rapid flow,
We watch them, as one by one they go
Into the beautiful past."

Thirty-one years of the history of Baltimore Branch have dropped into the current that flows into Eternity's sea. The one with which we have just parted has been bright with blessing. In some respects we call it our *very best*, and with thanksgiving gratefully acknowledge—"Hitherto the Lord has helped us". He has mercifully preserved the lives of our missionaries and branch officers, and not a name in the long list of vice-presidents or managers has been erased by death. Secretaries have

pressed steadily toward the mark of their high calling—an organization of some kind, auxiliary, mite-box, circle, company of Standard Bearers, Children's Band, Little Light Bearers in every church with united effort to carry the Gospel to every creature.

The treasurer's report will show an advance in receipts of more than a thousand dollars over that of last year, and we have the largest *available* balance we have ever had.

Nearly a thousand dollars that we did not anticipate would be called for, has been paid, and statements from all foreign treasurers received show good balances there. Many things have conspired to bring about these happy results; not least in the count is the larger circulation of our periodicals and larger sales of general literature. To read is to give. They are Siamese twins, and union is essential to life. Other items in the count, are itineraries made by Misses Gallimore, Bonafield, Elsie Wood, Mrs. Gamewell and Mrs. Badley; also letters from the missionaries descriptive of their work and the letters enclosed for patrons. My appreciation of the drafts these have made upon their time and strength; my gratitude for their kindness I cannot express. To omit mention of Miss Thomas' basket, which yielded this year, three hundred dollars, would be unpardonable. A very gratifying feature is the increasing interest among our young women; fine attendance at monthly meetings with general use of The Study. We can scarcely heep ahead of the demand for mite-boxes—1353 having been distributed this year. The fund from which we *must* meet contingent expenses of the branch would be in a sad plight were it not for our annual excursion on the bay—"All Day on the Water." The popularity of this excursion, always good, was never so largely patronized as this year. I said we *must* draw from contingent fund for branch expenses, for we are, as a branch, pleged to send to the foreign field every last dollar contributed through other channels. The reputation of our Christmas boxes is our embarassment. "No boxes like the Baltimore boxes" has preceded requests from places to which we have never sent; thirteen have gone out this year, and we are hearing of their safe arrival and the pleasure that "just a peep into box" is giving. What will the joy be in the distribution? Money instead of boxes have been sent to Japan and China.

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The thirty-second year of the New York Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, just closed, furnishes us with abundant reason for gratitude and thanksgiving.

All we desired has not been accomplished, and will not be until every woman in the Methodist Episcopal Church has pledged an interest in the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. And we believe the promise of God, in answer to prayer and faith, extends even to this.

Our conference and district secretaries and itineraries have faithfully performed their arduous duties.

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financial success do not bring many missionary candidates; and then when sorely pressed for money, so many will offer that we have to supply other branches? is a question for consideration. Do we only pray for what we need at the time, and leave out half the promise?

Last year our annual meeting was shadowed by a memorial service for one of the loved branch representatives, called from labor to reward, and "again the Lord called" and this year Lillian Harris went in to be "forever with the Lord". Never was faithful service more joyfully given, nor truer courage shown, than by this devoted missionary. Mary Loyd was ours, too, by love and birthright, though supported by another branch. We are rich in the memory of these crowned heroines, with whom we include Miss Mekkelson, who was partly supported by the Cincinnati Branch, news of whose death reached us after the branch meeting, and whose departure in far-away Africa brought sorrow to many hearts.

The lessons of the year to the Cincinnati Branch are many. We have found that in union there is strength; that when Christian men or women go forward in obedience to the call of God, there is no such word as fail; that when our weakness is supplemented by God's strength, we can do "exploits," and above all we will surely never, *never*, distrust our Heavenly Father again.

MRS. E. T. COWEN,
Corresponding Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance in hand Oct. 1st, 1901	$ 644.00
Receipts for year 1901 and 1902	57,286.00
	$57,930.00

EXPENDITURES.

To India and Malaysia	$23,005.00	
" Manila	1,400.00	
" China	5,570.00	
" Korea	4,300.00	
" Japan	10,780.00	
" Mexico	2,950.00	
" Italy	350.00	
" Africa	200.00	
" S. America	850.00	
		$49,405.00

ome Salaries and Traveling Expenses	$2,400
ouchers for Building Funds	3,075
ontingent Expenses	1,410
	$6,885
Balance on hand	$1,640

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The exhortation which the prophet of the Lord brought to Asa, king f Israel, and its accompanying promise: "Be strong, therefore, and let ot your hands be weak, for your work will be rewarded," seems to have een renewed to the Northwestern Branch during the past year, and the romise has been fully redeemed. Among a constituency which has lways been noted for its earnestness and zeal, there has been manifested spirit of devotion to all missionary interests, a fidelity in caring for the ork of the society in every detail, and a consecration of time, thought nd service in its interests that have insured a most gratifying outcome to year of special effort.

It goes without the saying that the redemption of the pledges made at ie annual meeting in 1901 has cost abundant labor and much self-denial, ll of which has been cheerfully endured in order that the workers might ightfully share in the glorious achievement of carrying the gospel mesage to the people of all lands.

Each auxiliary has doubtless its own special history of plan and work nd self-denial, and gleaning, and of final success, and each is worthy to

receive that benediction of the Master: "Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things; enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

Many of our districts hold their annual meetings immediately after the adjournment of the branch meeting. The conference secretaries and other representatives who attend the latter meeting, go almost directly to the district gatherings and are bearers of the glad tidings which they have heard, and are alive with the enthusiasm by which the branch meeting is characterized. In this way, the zeal and inspiration which the branch meeting always incites, are communicated to all parts of our work.

The ill health of our president deprived us of her presence during nearly the entire year, and has been to us a source of anxious solicitude. In addition to the sense of personal loss, which all of us experienced, we missed her sympathy and inspiring enthusiasm in all of our enterprises.

Prayers have been offered continually throughout the branch that the Great Physician would mercifully return her to us restored in health and prepared for carrying on the work which she so greatly loved.

In the meantime, Mrs. Patten, our vice-president, has efficiently and to our great satisfaction, discharged the duties of the executive office. Her administration was so generally approved that at the annual branch meeting she was unanimously chosen to the presidency.

The first week of December, 1901, was observed throughout the branch as a week of prayer and a time for special offerings. Possibly some of our members may doubt the wisdom of making another special appeal in addition to our thank-offering, but still it seems to be evident that so long as we can report receipts of over four thousand dollars in answer to such an appeal, and can realize the unnumbered blessings which are experienced in answer to the prayers which are offered in connection with this service, there can hardly be a question as to its value.

Our thank-offering is as much a part of the year's program as is our annual meeting, and there are very few auxiliaries in which it is not observed. It becomes more and more a season for remembering our blessings and covenanting anew with the Giver of all good, that we will devote more of our time and talents and more of ourselves to His service, and at the same time it brings many gifts of love into the treasury. With thankful hearts, we have been able this year to lay upon the altar nearly $25,000.

The statistics of the society show a decrease in the number of auxiliaries, but an increase in membership. This loss in auxiliaries is greatly to be regretted, and it is difficult to understand the reason therefore. New auxiliaries are being organized from time to time. A deeper interest in this great work is manifested than ever before, and the

eceipts of the society are larger. But it is evident, and to be greatly eplored, that some of our auxiliaries grow weary of the work and bandon it. To those of us who experience the inspiration and fascination f the work, it is difficult to explain this fact. And no work of greater nportance presents itself than to use every endeavor to keep alive the rganizations of this society.

The young women are becoming better informed on all missionary pics and are more interested in the work. Some of their organizations ave more than doubled their membership. Much of the children's ork is done through the Junior League, and if the senior auxiliaries will ok upon this work as an enterprise for which they are at least in part sponsible and foster it, its development will be constant and its value ermanent. The Little Light Bearers make a very creditable showing.

The interest in the work among our German sisters grows slowly but eadily. In the death of Mrs. Achard, they have experienced an reparable loss. She was to them a wise counsellor, an able guide and continual inspiration.

Miss Jacobson has done a glorious work among our Scandinavian sters. She organized twenty-four auxiliaries, which have four hundred id sixty-six members. Most cordially do we welcome these sisters to e ranks of missionary workers and trust that the interest created by iss Jacobson's efforts may grow until throughout this sturdy branch of ethodism may come up a host of women ready to join hands with us in nding the glad tidings of salvation to the ends of the earth.

The Standard Bearer movement has been enthusiastically received many sections of the branch. The Detroit conference reports the rgest number of members, and Rock River closely follows it. The tal number of Standard Bearers reported is 6,083, and their offerings at e close of the fiscal year were $1,746.00. They have sent out and ssumed the support of three missionaries. This new organization is a aluable support to the society, and strengthens our hopes for the future. When we can enlist the young people of our church under the blue and hite penant, we are securing recruits, whose enthusiasm and loyalty ill increase with their experience, and who will carry forward the work ith confidence and ever increasing success.

Six missionaries, Miss Wright, Miss Fisher, Miss Craig, Miss Newton, Miss Longstreet and Miss Merrill are in this country for needed change and est. Miss Vickery, Miss Llewellyn and Miss Odgers spent the summer acation with their home friends, but have returued and were at their posts efore the opening of the school year. During the year Miss Heaton, Miss Alling, Miss Steere, Miss Stahl and Miss Minnie Wilson returned to eir several fields of work. Dr. Anna Gloss, Miss Marion Newton and

Miss Mary Wilson are still with us, none of them being in such health as warrant a return to service. Miss Benthein is pursuing some special studies that she may be better prepared for her duties. Miss Porter, of Bombay, severed her connection with our society on the occasion of her marriage.

The new missionaries who have left us are Miss Pauline Westcott, our first missionary from the ranks of the Standard Bearers; Miss Mabel K. Seeds, who joined her sister in Fukuoka; Miss Edith Jackson, who took up the work begun by Mrs. Curtis in Taipeng, Malaysia; and Miss Thirza M. Pierce, who has gone to reinforce our mission in Kiukiang.

Our headquarters is a center of constant activity. A partial summary of the work which has been done is as follows: Number of copies of *Via Christi* sold, 1,811; number of calendars, 900; number of packages sent out, 15,000; number of mite-boxes, 13,448; receipts for the year, $2,566.

The study of *Via Christi* has been very generally pursued in our branch, and with very great profit. Not only has the regular lesson been carefully prepared, but the supplemental studies have also been read, and in many auxiliaries the search questions prepared by Mrs. Budlong have called out the best efforts of the society. In one auxiliary neighborhood circles were formed, which met every two weeks for the study of this book. We hail with delight this study of missions and mission work in a systematic manner. Women who have heretofore found their interest in some of the numberless clubs with their exhaustive programs, will welcome this new form of literary work, and with the result that the cause will commend itself to their active sympathy.

The conference and district officers have been alert to seize every opportunity to present the society's works and needs, and returned missionaries of our own society and of the general board have given time and strength to this service.

We have had many evidences that the claims of this society are commending itself to those who regard themselves as the Lord's stewards. A number of gifts and bequests have been received, which brought into the treasury the sum of $8,494. Other gifts in the form of annuities have been received, which amount to $8,000.

I cannot close this report without making mention of our annual meeting. The number in attendance was unusually large. In response to the cordial invitation extended by the society at Bloomington, Indiana, over six hundred interested women, coming from every part of the branch, were present. It would seem as if so large a number of visitors would have taxed the hospitality of even so generous a city as Bloomington, which has already one thousand students of the State University

domiciled among them. But so generous was the welcome given us, not only by our own church, but by sister churches, including the Roman Catholic and Jewish societies, that there was ample accommodation and room to spare. So large a company of women gathered together with the same thought and for the same purposes, could not be but an enthusiastic assemblage, and the many note books which were in use throughout the sessions indicated that the record of that meeting, with all its helpful suggestions and its wonderful spiritual uplift, will be carried back to the auxiliaries, and will stimulate all of our workers to a greater activity, and will produce a more abiding interest in this work, whose field reaches even to the ends of the earth,

In thus recounting the successes which have crowned the labors of the year, in the references which have been made to the growth, vigor and hopeful outlook for the blessed work which we have undertaken, and in the assurance with which a still more glorious future is anticipated, it is never for one moment forgotten that all of valuable result which has been, or which may be, achieved is by virtue only of the favor of the Divine Master, to whom be glory and honor and power and dominion, now and forever, world without end.

MRS. F. P. CRANDON,
Corresponding Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance October 1st, 1901	$ 14,983 20	
Receipts, Oct. 1st, 1901, to Oct. 1st, 1902	120,406 05	
Grand total		$135,389 25
Total disbursements		108,842 65
Balance		$26,546 60
Amount of "Annuity Fund"		11,700 00
Balance in "General Fund" Oct. 1st, 1902		$14,846 60

DISBURSEMENTS.

India	$39,783 80
China	22,986 50
Japan	7,225 00
Italy	9,990 00
South America	5,492 00
Mexico	5,070 34
Bulgaria	2,141 51

Korea	600 00	
Maylasia	1,604 00	
Switzerland	225 00	
North Germany	90 00	
Africa	550 00	
Philippines	900 00	
Total		$96,658 15
Outfit and traveling expenses of outgoing and returning missionaries	$ 4,510 67	
Salary of missionaries home on leave of absence	2,720 05	
Medical education and supplies	734 35	
Total		$ 7,965 07
General executive meeting	$ 450 00	
Interest on annuities	402 00	
Miscellaneous	3,367 43	
		$ 4,219 43
Total disbursements		$108,842 65

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One who has never come under the magic spell of missionary statistics cannot estimate the delight of reporting an increase of 1228 in membership. Toward the making of these goodly figures there have been contributed many thousands of miles of travel and hundreds of addresses by our missionaries, and the branch, conference, and district officers,

›gether with the steady-going faithfulness of the women in the auxil-
ries. Through cold and heat, Misses Evans, Perkins and Trimble have
›me and gone with a constancy that set at naught a natural desire for
.e quiet comforts and restful society of home and friends. Miss Meyer
so recently found her strength equal to a tour in her own conference,
ıd the results financially were most gratifying. Another most important
:lper was Miss Lillie Green, of Northwestern Branch. While visiting
latives in Missouri, she gave two weeks of most valuable services in
aces where little was known of our woman's work. Our young Chinese
ıdents have also come to our aid, and have been cordially received in
eir earnest efforts to enlist helpers in the great work which they so
:enly appreciate. Did we not have to reckon with those who fall from
ace every year, the results would be double what we have reported.

While one has planted and another watered, we to-day look up unto
im who alone has given the increase, and pray Him to lead in our
ll hearts the gratitude which our poor words can never tell. All the
:ar a heavy burden rested upon our treasury. There rang out from
'anch headquarters a call to believing prayer, to a pleading of the
:ceeding great and precious promises of our God. How graciously He
:ard, how abundantly He answered, the report of the branch treasurer
:ars witness.

"Wherefore David blessed the Lord, before all the congregations,
ıd David said: 'Blessed be thou Lord God of Israel, our Father, for-
/er and ever.' Now, therefore, our God, we thank Thee and praise
hy glorious name." Immediately following our last annual meeting,
ıree of our missionaries took their way across the Pacific, to China,
:iss Ogborn reaching her station in good time. The West China ladies,
:iss Galloway and Dr. Edmonds, with Miss Williams, of Minneapolis
ranch, moved slowly up the Yangtse in a house boat, with Bishop
[oore for guardian of the party. The two new ladies, Dr. Edmonds
ıd Miss Williams, have had the rare privilege of devoting almost the
ıtire year to the study of Chinese. In December, Miss Foster went to
urma, and Miss Henkle joined the India party for Calcutta, at the close
f the last executive meeting. Late in September, Misses Evans and
yne sailed by the Pacific route for India, making seven in all who have
one from our branch this year. Is it any wonder that our treasury was
›w? The frequently recurring marvel has again been repeated, and a
roup of bright young women have placed themselves upon God's altar
›r foreign work. Miss Susan Stumpf awaits appointment. Miss
Iabel Sia, at the close of four years of training, at Morningside
:ollege and Folts Institute, will now return to her own land, an
ccredited missionary of our branch. Miss Bertha Beard will shortly

join Miss Ogborn in her new field at Nan Chang, China. Miss Joane Davis goes as a deaconess to work among the English speaking native people of Bombay.

There are still other young Chinese girls, and student volunteers in our Christian colleges, preparing for the day when they shall be able to present themselves with the grace to say, "Here am I, send me".

Our literature sales have touched the highest figure, more than one thousand dollars, and are at once an indication of missionary interest and a pledge of its increase.

The Standard Bearers have raised aloft their white pennant, and are gathering the young people—a few hundreds of them—we trust the mere beginning of a movement which shall speedily assume large proportions. In this department, our German sisters have distinguished themselves by issuing not only the first Standard Bearers' leaflet within our branch, but the first in the German language.

Mrs. Dr. Dorchester, of St. Louis, continues as editor of the Des Moines Branch month of the prayer calendar, a service requiring no little tact and talent.

But one of us is not, for God hath taken her, and on the western coast of Africa the precious dust of Josephine Mekkelson awaits the resurrection morning. We know not why her loved work so soon was done. We can only say, "It is the Lord, let Him do what seemeth Him good". Our tears have fallen, our hearts have grieved, but we say, as did this sainted missionary, with her dying breath, "His will be done".

The mighty one Himself hath walked among us this year. He hath been the inspiration and the recompense of all our toil. "How sweet the work hath been."

MRS. M. S. HUSTON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance Oct. 1, 1901	$ 977.78	
Receipts from Oct. 1, 1901, to Oct. 1, 1902	$ 41,155.65	
Total		$ 42,133.43
Disbursements		41,477.18
Balance Oct. 1, 1902		$ 656.25
India	$ 24,556.39	
China	8,873.28	
Japan	4,835.00	
Mexico	1,770.00	
Italy	200.00	
Africa	286.00	
Total		$ 40,520.67

MRS. E. P. FRITZ, *Treasurer.*

MINNEAPOLIS BRANCH.

Includes Minnesota and the Two Dakotas.

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easurer,	MRS. C. W. HALL, 3206 2nd Av. S., Minneapolis, Minn.

In closing the year's work we can most heartily "Praise God" for e way in which He has led us and for the success won. We advanced ore than two thousand dollars in our appropriations over our receipts st year, and it has required a large faith and much earnest work to attain ese results, for which we are so devoutly thankful.

In the very beginning of the year we were favored in having with us iss Perkins, of Burma, who rendered valuable service in our district nventions.

Miss Alma Jacobson, a Swedish missionary from Pakur, India, has en in labors abundant among our Swedish churches and has awakened abiding interest, we trust, among our Scandinavian sisters, which has en a strong factor in the advancement of our work and increase in our ancial receipts.

Our ever welcome and much beloved Mrs. Mary C. Nind rendered luable aid at the time of our thank-offering services in Winona, inneapolis and St. Paul, and assisted us in going beyond our expectaons in getting funds for our memorial, the Charlotte S. Winchell Home Penang.

Dr. Julia M. Donahue has given time, strength and thought to our tire branch for the past six months. New auxiliaries have been rganized, mite-boxes distributed and Standard Bearers enrolled. Subcriptions to our missionary literature has largely increased. She has reatly strengthened the work in all our borders. One new missionary andidate has been accepted—Miss Anna Zimmerman, of Spring Valley, Minn., a graduate from Hamline University.

Miss Blackstock, in Tokio, Japan, has been ill and needs the change home-coming will give her, but we have failed to get the needed nissionary to take her place in the Harrison Industrial Home.

Miss Rouse is in excellent health and very happy in her work. She reatly needs two new workers. She is herself doing the work of two.

Miss Nicolaison is alone in Sieng Iu, her friend and co-worker, Miss Lebeus, having come home for a much needed rest. She has passed through some very trying experiences during the past six months, but through them all she has been kept in peace.

Miss Blackmore has been instant in season and out of season, constantly looking after the varied interests of the home, boarding school and evangelistic work. She is always cheery, hopeful and full of faith in God.

Miss Cody has shown herself well adapted to be indeed an intinerant missionary during the past two years. She was first appointed to Manila to open kindergarten work, but the time was not opportune. She was then transferred to Singapore where she was sorely needed. She soon had eighty children in her kindergarten with four teachers in training, when an urgent call came from Taipeng to take up the work which Mrs. Curtis had organized and was compelled by the illness of her husband to lay down. The second and the third call came, then she felt she must obey and she very successfully carried on the work which Mrs. Curtis so efficiently organized. After a few months Miss Jackson, of the N. W. Branch, was sent as missionary in charge of Taipeng. Miss Cody then returned to her beloved kindergarten, which had been carried on by the assistants and training teachers in her absence. Miss Lilly's home-coming for her much needed vacation threw the care of the Methodist Girls' School on Miss Cody's hands. She has been on the verge of a nervous break-down from such frequent changes and overwork.

Miss Martin's vacation is due in the spring, when she must take a much needed rest, which will leave Miss Ellis alone. The new home and school buildings will take much of their time and strength through the coming winter.

Miss Helen Ingram, our English deaconess, of Lucknow, India, is with us, and we are rejoiced to hear of the blessed work she is doing among our Christians and in the Zenanas of Lucknow.

Miss Williams, our missionary to far-away West China, has been devoting the past year to the study of the language and caring for the missionaries who have been so seriously ill during the past summer. She will be ready in the beginning of this year to take up the hospital training work for which she is so admirably adapted.

OUR LITERATURE.—We are rejoiced to report advance in this department also. Last year we lost 64 subscribers to our *Missionary Friend*. This year we have made up our loss and gained 141 subscribers in addition. Our German sisters in our branch have 583 subscribers to the *German Missionary Friend*, which added to our 727 subscribers makes a total of 1318, an average of about one subscriber in three of

ıstituency. We have to report a loss in the *Children's Missionary* of 87. We gained 128 last year so that the actual loss is only 41. ve gained 150 subscribers to *The Study*.

e capable editor of our *Quarterly Review*, Mrs. Lindsey, has been ing sketches of our branch missionaries, and while in type, have sued in leaflet form for which there is a great demand.

z *Christi* has been studied in many of our auxiliaries with great

ıre literature has been sold this year than ever before. We are ıg for the distribution of more missionary intelligence, and we hope ' for more aggressiveness on missionary lines.

NANCES.—It was with fear and trembling that we urged an advance ar of a thousand dollars over our *Branch* annual appropriation. ve raised in the regular way $1,600 beyond our advanced appor- nt, and the conference and district secretaries proposed themselves ır, an advance in apportionment of $16,500 for the coming year, an onment equal to our receipts. We have received a bequest of from the estate of Mr. Lillibridge, who was a much loved and honored and very useful member of Wesley Church, and where ıily yet worship. This bequest does not apply on our regular ɔut will go to special places for the general work.

ıother bequest of $700 from the estate of Mrs. Morse, of Alexan- ɔ. Dakota, will be applied in supporting a day school in perpetuity heng, China.

.e secretaries of our different departments have been most earnest, and successful in advancing their different lines of work.

.e greatest advance has been in the organization of young people andard Bearers Circles—from these we expect great things in the ; years.

e enter upon the duties of the new year with faith and courage that ·ill give us great victory in answer to earnest offorts and fervent ; for the extension of His Kingdom throughout the earth.

MRS. C. W. JOYCE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

ts from Oct. 1st, 1901, to Oct. 1st, 1902.....	$ 16,109 23	
;ts.....	5,700 00	
Total.....		$ 21,809 23
Balance Oct. 1st, 1901.....		2,132 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

sements.....	$ 14,851 90
Balance on hand.....	$ 9,089 25

MRS. C. W. HALL, *Treasurer.*

TOPEKA BRANCH.

Includes Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Indian Territory.

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Through the varied experiences of another year the Lord has been with us, and "there hath not failed one word of all His good promise".

We have made some growth in numbers, the most marked being in the Swedish conference, which reports fifteen auxiliaries, with a membership of 350. We regret that our receipts are $600 below the previous year, but the decrease is in special gifts and not through the regular channels. More members paid dues, the mite boxes yielded a large increase, and the thank offering nearly doubled.

The German conference, in addition to the apportionment, contributed $300 to place a missionary in the field, and a friend in Colorado gave a like sum to send another to Sironcha.

The laborers among the young people are meeting with success. A beginning has been made in the enlistment of Standard Bearers, and the hope seems reasonable that during the present year there will be increasingly favorable results. The interest taken in the study of *Via Christi* is gratifying; nearly 800 copies were sold through our bureau of supplies; then, too, the subscription lists to all our periodicals have lengthened, hence we trust that as our zeal increases, it is according to knowledge. We have been blessed with help from outside. Mrs. Nind, Miss Bing, from Japan, and Miss Marks, from India, each gave us six weeks. The visible results of their labors are increased interest in the places visited, added numbers and more money in the treasury.

The first foreign news that came to us after the General Executive meeting one year ago was the death of Miss Delia A. Fuller, in Sironcha, November 14, after a few days' illness. Miss Fuller went to India in 1886 and returned after a vacation in 1898. Until fifteen months before her death her work was in the North India conference. At that time she

s transferred to the South and appointed to Sironcha, being the only ssionary of our church in that far-away station.

In her last letter, written three weeks previous to her death, she ote: "Sironcha is a great field and we are doing our best to glorify d and win the people to Him. Our work at present is like a little ıp in a dark place, but it will burn brighter and brighter until it shines into the heathen darkness and brings multitudes to Christ."

We returned one missionary, Miss Watson, to her work in Japan, l early in the year sent two to India, Miss Winslow and Miss Knight. We are happy in beginning the new year with three candi-es. One, Miss Urdell Montgomery, will sail in a few days for her sen field, India. The applications of the others will be presented to committee, one for medical work in India, the other for deaconess rk in the Philippines.

Our annual meeting, held in Wichita, Kansas, was largely attended l enthusiastic. Dr. Stuntz, Misses Trimble, Marks and Mabel Sia gave al service. The audiences were not only interested, but generous. At close of Dr. Stuntz's address on Monday night he asked for $300 to pay s Spaulding's expenses to the Philippines. In response $450 were dged. In addition to this, $150 were given Miss Marks for the purchase ı bell for the Ajmer school building, and $75 for an ox-cart to be used her evangelistic work.

MATILDA WATSON,
Corresponding Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

ance on hand Oct. 1st, 1901	$ 5,462 12	
ceipts, Oct. 1st, 1901, to Oct. 1st., 1902	20,694 56	
Total		$26,156 68

DISBURSEMENTS.

lia	$ 8,016 91	
ina	3,545 00	
ɔan	2,860 00	
ly	100 00	
uth America	2,325 00	
scellaneous	784 66	
Balance on hand Oct. 1st, 1902		$ 7,500 11

MRS. A. M. DAVIS,
Treasurer.

PACIFIC BRANCH.

Includes California, Nevada, Arizona and Hawaii.

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The enthusiasm with which our branch ushered in the new century did not die out or even abate with the close of the first year, but has increased in scope and intensity as the months of 1902 have gone by. Many circumstances have conspired to add to the success of the year. Old friends have not slackened their efforts, and new friends have been zealously working to forward our interests. The Standard Bearer movement has given our young people a widespread interest in our work and has opened a door of hope to us for a permanent and satisfactory alliance between the young and old, hitherto unattained.

The united study of missions had right of way in almost all of our auxiliaries, and has enlisted a large number of new women. It is needless to say that our returned missionaries have done much to bring about these changed conditions. With Miss Jewell in the north, Miss Craig near the sea on the south, Miss Gilman almost to the desert on the east, and Miss Marks north, south and east, and only barred by the Pacific on the west, with these and others whose services have added to the general success, and with God's blessing on all our work and plans, the year has been one of the brightest and best of any of the fourteen of our history.

Our missionaries on the field, Dr. Taft, in malarial China, Miss Holman and Dr. Beck in torrid Rajputana, Miss Holbrook in Japan, and Miss Collins in the fever-ladened air of Africa, have all been graciously preserved in health.

Naturally we feel a special interest in Rajputana, so long the field of labor of our first missionary, Miss Marks, because of its fearful ordeal of famine, plague and fever. The hundreds of famine waifs rescued by Miss Marks in 1900 are, with but few exceptions, well and happy. By the order of the authorities, the large household was divided and a number of the orphans were sent to Phalera, where they are under the care of Miss Anna Lawson.

Miss Holman has charge of the household at Ajmere, and has proven herself to be a worthy successor to Miss Marks. She has true motherly instincts and is enthusiastically in love with her work. We sent Dr. Edna Beck to Ajmere in February, to the great delight of Miss Holman and the partial relief of Miss Lawson.

Miss Holman is so thankful for the sweet-spirited ready helper she finds in Dr. Beck, and Dr. Beck seems to be a born missionary, stepping into the ranks and filling her place with such readiness and heartiness that her presence in Ajmere has been a delight from the beginning. The Standard Bearers of California conference may well congratulate themselves on their chosen missionary. Miss Holbrook was moved to Nagoya at conference, and is faithfully studying the language of Japan in preparation for the evangelistic work to which she is appointed. We trust and believe that she will give many years of effective service to Japan.

Dr. Taft has done a fine year's work in Chinkiang with almost uninterrupted health. She writes so little of herself that we consider ourselves fortunate in having another correspondent in Chinkiang, Miss Robinson, who tells us of our Gertrude's royal service and of the stay and comfort she is to Dr. Hoag, who esteems her as a sister beloved and a competent physician.

Never was the hand of God more clearly seen than in the sending of our beloved Susan Collins to California just as Miss Crothers was moved to send a missionary to Africa in memory of her beloved sister. Her stay among us gave us an insight to her character, showing that added to her devoutness of spirit, she had strong common sense, a readiness for emergencies and a generous, unselfish heart.

These sterling qualities were all needed when she reached Quessua, in January, and found Miss Mekkelson's health utterly broken. With her accustomed energy she stepped under the burden and did all in her power to relieve Miss M. and nurse her back to health. But human love and skill could not save her, and July 5th Miss Mekkelson passed to her reward with a prayer for Susan Collins on her dying lips. Her death leaves Miss Collins in charge of the school at Quessua. Her thirteen years of service in Africa under the General Missionary Society, fitted her for this new responsibility.

So in Africa, China, India and Japan our representatives are toiling, oftentimes while we are sleeping, and we rejoice in the assurance that their labor is not in vain.

Hungry hearts everywhere are turning to them for the bread that perisheth not, and we believe that none are more ready and faithful in the work of rescue than our own five beloved missionaries.

Miss Marks and Miss Easton are still detained at home, yet their

hearts are in India, and some good day: if God wills, they will return. It is so blessed to know that He makes no mistakes. Just now we need a new missionary. Let us make this want a special subject of prayer, that God may send us one of His own choosing.

Not the least of all our blessings has been our ability to meet all of our obligations promptly, and no burden of financial obligations unmet has distracted our minds from the legitimate work of our office. For this and for unnumbered tokens of divine favor, we are most profoundly grateful.

MRS. CHARLOTTE O'NEAL,
Corresponding Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Oct. 1st, 1901. Balance on hand	$ 1,304	71
Receipts from Oct. 1st, 1901, to Oct. 1st, 1902	13,886	00
Grand total	$15,190	71

DISBURSEMENTS.

From Oct. 1st. 1901, to Oct. 1, 1902	$ 13.613	97
Balance Oct. 1st, 1902	$ 1,576	74

MRS. Z. L. PARMELEE,
Treasurer.

COLUMBIA RIVER BRANCH.

Includes Washington, Idaho, Montana and Oregon.

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Treasurer, MRS. M. E. WHITNEY, 704 South I Street, Tacoma, Washington.

A decade of history is now accomplished by Columbia River branch. We deem it a happy coincidence that this particular session of the General Executive Committee should be held within the territory of our beloved "Mother Branch", whose wee daughter we were ten years

ago when consent was given for the erection of our separate household of faith. It was well that no vision then appeared of the serious difficulties which soon trooped after, since God has so graciously guided through all, and since we may believe that under His blessing some things have been wrought for the world's redemption that had not been without this child of Providence.

Owing to these and other hindrances incident to the settlement of a new country, our work has not broadened to a coveted extent, but it has unmistakably taken deeper root, has made substantial advance, and may be expected henceforth to move steadily forward.

The sum total of the contributions of this first decade is nearly $40,000, not a bad financial showing, in view of the fact that it was almost entirely made up of small sums. Few single gifts of the size of $100 have come into the treasury, and above this but one of $300, and one of $500.

As for the work of the past year, we may chronicle the formation of several new auxiliaries, an increase in membership, an encouraging advance in subscriptions to our periodicals, and the organization of a new district at Spokane. The convention where this was effected—first of its kind held in that city—was notable for its enthusiasm and fine, well executed program.

The united study of missions has been undertaken in a larger number of auxiliaries than was anticipated for the first year. We share in the general satisfaction felt within the society that the editor of our *Missionary Friend* has so well executed her task in the preparation of its first text book, *Via Christi*, as to win universal commendation.

A beginning has been made in the enlistment of Standard Bearers, Miss Phœbe Parkinson, of Foochow, China, being designated as our first Standard Bearer missionary. Our first leaflet of such series has just been issued, and we hope that ere long one thousand young hearts will be beating in love and prayer for Miss Parkinson and her girls in the Foochow Seminary.

One event which distinguishes the year from others is the home-coming of Miss Lilly on her first furlough, after five years of faithful and successful labor in Singapore. In her characteristically unselfish devotion to the interests of the mission, she threatens to turn back at once if relief is not soon sent to the missionaries, who are carrying the additional burdens for which there is neither time nor strength without cruel sacrifice to themselves and the work. Where are the young women who might help where need is so great?

Our tenth anniversary was celebrated in historic Taylor Street Church, Portland, where the branch was organized. It was throughout

an occasion of intense interest and spiritual power. One especially attractive feature was the birthday rally, with its charming greetings from branch secretaries, our general president and secretary, our editors, missionaries, and early friends, in which they told in choice phrase how they love us, and how great and good they expect us to become. Our recording secretary skillfully marshalled her select company, who delivered these epistles to attentive hearers, and she bids me bear to you assurance of our grateful appreciation of these kindly words to the "little sister", at the same time reminding you that we now lay aside the white ruffled apron, appropriate to the childhood days of the first decade, and aspire to the dignity of the second decade of young womanhood.

Remember us still, loan us your best missionary pleaders as they pass to and fro to their fields of labor, and by and by the great North Pacific territory, that is fast filling with an enterprising population, will render double for the Master's work.

A rare heritage is now ours. There are six young Thoburn's in our western city, two motherless children and four fatherless grandchildren of Bishop Thoburn. These shall bind us anew with tender, yet strong cords to the great world where the name they bear stands for the glorious Gospel of Christ.

Still another tie holds us to steady service. But a few weeks since there was laid to rest in its dove-colored casket, beside the body of the dear son, Crawford, in a Portland cemetery, the form of Mrs. Anna Thoburn, wife of our Bishop of India. The tribute paid that day to her memory by Dr. Oldham, who had been eye witness to the power of her character and life on the mission field, will remain with all who listened as an inspiration to truer and higher living. Stricken with mortal illness in the land of her toil, where "she had poured out her life", she was brought home, hope vanished from every heart but her own. She, brave soul, held on that she might reach the North Pacific coast and get well. Thither she finally came and there she was made eternally well. And we are left with this confidence that God hath led, not for her sake alone, that, having finished her work, she might entrust her precious little ones to the care of a chosen daughter, but for ours as well. One of our Bishops once declared, "The mission field needs more graves". So may it be true also of that new country of ours, with its pushing self-directed life. This honored grave, that Ohio across the continent and India over the sea would covet, this cherished grave, low-lying and mute at our feet, hath yet its message--of good cheer to the busy toiler, in the name of the Master who found His promised inheritance in the rock-hewn tomb--and of entreaty to those who have yet to heed the Voice

crying through the ages, "Bring My sons from far and My daughters from the ends of the earth."

MRS. A. N. FISHER, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on hand, October 1, 1901	$ 1,730 55
Receipts from October 1, 1901, to October 1, 1902	5,085 57
Total	$ 6,816 12

DISBURSEMENTS.

India	$ 2,190 00	
Malaysia	1,015 00	
China	1,525 00	
Japan	365 00	
Bulgaria	5 00	
Fund for outgoing missionary	19 08	
Incidentals	167 20	
		$ 5,286 28
Balance on hand, October 1, 1902		$ 1,529 84
On hand for outgoing missionary		201 83

MRS. M. E. WHITNEY, *Treasurer.*

GERMAN WORK.

Mysterious unto us are the ways of God. We are sorely stricken in the loss of our beloved mother, the secretary of the German work. If we can not report as fully as we wish, we know that you will forgive us, and accept this as the best we could do under the circumstances.

The work among the Germans has received a great impetus through the collections of money for the Sieng-Iu Home. The call for help has been answered nobly, and our statistics show that the money thus collected was not taken from other parts of the work, as the treasury for the general fund shows an unusually large increase for our constituency. We are sure that the women have been roused not only to give but to pray more fervently for our missionaries. Our heart was twice made glad by two gifts of $2,000 each, from an unknown friend of missions, and we praise the Lord that he has stirred the hearts in such a wonderful way.

Miss Rothweiler has traveled quite extensively, as the German secretary was not able to leave her invalid husband, and she has indeed relieved her of a great part of her work.

The district meetings have been times of blessings and help to those attending them, and the reports from the conference anniversaries are more encouraging year after year.

Our contingent fund has been remembered by the members, and we do not have a deficit as usual, but a surplus of $342.63.

Of our secretaries, two have resigned and their places have not been supplied at the present writing. May God give us the right persons for these important positions.

Special work is being supported by our Germans in all branches, except the Columbia River branch. There has been an increase of over twenty-five per cent. in this line alone.

We have 381 auxiliaries, increase 69, with 9,124 members, increase of 2,264.

Our total receipts for the year are $15,429, $4,000 of this being a special gift. The increase over last year is, without this special gift, $2,021.51. Of this, about $1,500 was collected for the Sieng-Iu Home. This still leaves us an increase of some $500.

God takes the workers, but the work goes on, and we are glad to know that He will take care of it in the future as He has done in the past. May the coming year be rich in service and abundant in fruit for the Master's vineyard.

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. ACHARD.

Conferences	Organizations.	Life Members.	Members.	Special Work.	Frauen Missions Freund.	Wom. M. Friend	Child M. Friend	Receipts, 1901-1902.	Receipts, 1900-1901.	Increase.	Decrease.
Switzerland	44	..	1263	1	198	..	..	$593 87	$557 96	$35 91	.....
South German	105	.	1397	3	214	..	..	349 61	243 59	106 02	.....
North German	21	.	410	1	92	..	..	183 32	158 24	24 08	.....
East German	22	2	771	9	352	11	129	1444 37	1038 54	405 83	.....
Central German	21	..	467	19	161	10	..	1580 23	1059 48	521 75	.....
St Louis German	18	..	492	8	251	22	..	849 63	544 09	305 54	.....
West German	40	..	623	8	480	8	6	2038 98	1620 49	418 49	.....
California German	11	19	300	20	141	5	..	488 25	484 00	4 25	.....
North Pacific German	5	.	84	..	39	..	..	102 59	82 00	20 59	.....
Northwest German	33	..	656	23	510	7	118	1437 40	1002 07	203 60	.....
North German	40	38	1036	10	483	12	90	1665 15	1730 72	.....	$ 65 57
Chicago German	15	1	349	..	153	1	20	806 70	600 86	205 84	.....
Miscellaneous	.	.	....	.	1125	..	.	4125 00	.....	...	.....
Totals, 1901-1902	381	60	7848	102	4199	76	363	15665 10	407 49	6157 61	.....
Totals, 1900-1901	312	109	6860	..	3992	71	332	9407 49	.....	.....	.....
Increase	69	..	988	..	207	5	31	6157 61	.....	.....	.....
Decrease	..	49	....	..	.....	..	.	.....	.....	.....	....

Philadelphia, 2 Delegates	$ 19 97	
Baltimore, 1 Missionary	23 25	
Cincinnati, 3 Missionaries	164 75	
Northwestern, 7 Missionaries	252 10	
Des Moines, 2 Missionaries	224 36	
Minneapolis,	160 00	
Topeka	188 00	
Pacific, 1 Delegate	296 00	
Columbia River, 1 Delegate	253 80	
		$1,722 33

Expenses to Reference Committee Meeting at Cincinnati, May 20, 1902.

New England Branch Secretary	$ 48 75	
Baltimore Branch Secretary	20 50	
Des Moines Branch Secretary	5 00	
Minneapolis Branch Secretary	24 00	
Topeka Branch Secretary	35 00	
German Branch Secretary	9 05	
		$ 142 30

Cablegrams Relating to Foreign Buildings.

Raipur	$ 18 45	
Peking	14 34	
Hyderabad	4 30	
Korea	6 45	
		$43 54
Trunk Line Agent for reduced rates to Minneapolis Executive Meeting		11 00
A. W. Greenman, South America, expense of securing deed for Montevideo School Property		85 03
		$ 2,004 20

Receipts	$ 2,026 00
Expenses to Oct. 30	2,004 20
Balance, Nov. 1, 1902	$ 21 80

MRS. WM. B. SKIDMORE,
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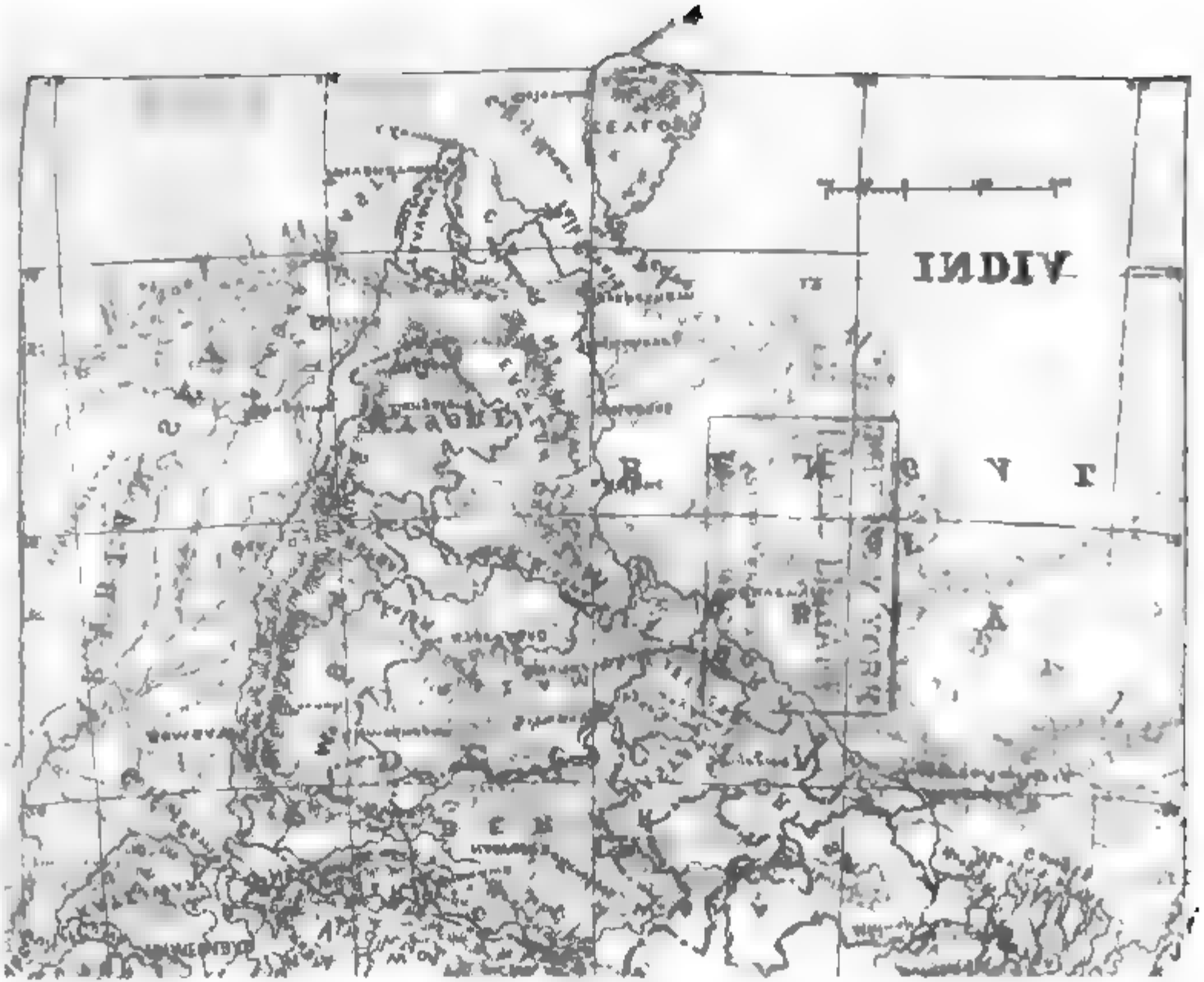

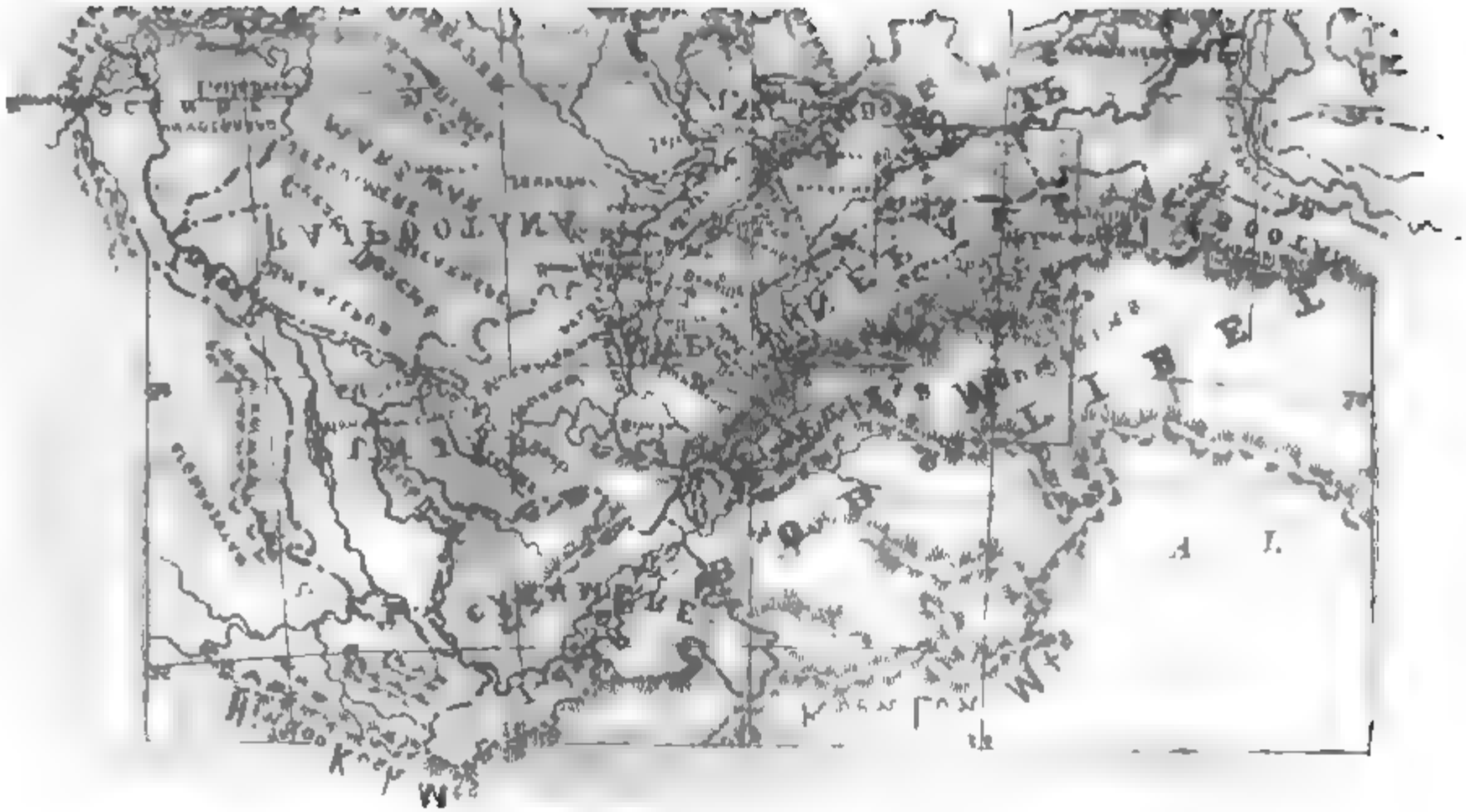

Report of Foreign Work.

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covers one hundred and two pages, besides the minutes and reports of committees. It contains a wonderful presentation of the work of twenty-three representatives of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and sixteen wives of missionaries, and associate workers in this world-wide propagendism of our Christian hope, among the women of heathenism.

Nine presiding elders districts, have each their regularly organized work, under charge of our missionaries, except the two districts of *Sambhal* and *Pilibhit*, where all the work is under the care of native workers. There are over five thousand baptized women and girls in these two districts. Forty-eight evangelistic teachers and twenty-three bible-women are employed in the woman's work in these districts, and "the entrance of the Word giveth light".

MORADABAD DISTRICT is one of the best organized on all lines in the North India conference. There are fourteen centers of interest from which radiate rays of Gospel light. The Moradabad Boarding school, under the care of Miss Alice Means, numbers one hundred and ten pupils, and makes a fine record on all lines. A large number of teachers and Bible-women received their training in this school, and they in turn are giving it to others, and thus the leaven spreads. In the Sigler Boarding School at Budaon, Miss Curts, superintendent, assisted by two assistants and three teachers cares for 87 girls. There are more than four thousand baptized women in this district, and a promising work in villages and country places..

GONDA DISTRICT work is largely among the villages and country people, and is composed of nine circuits, each with its net-work of smaller places. It presents a very fruitful field for evangelistic work. Hundreds hear the Word gladly. The Gonda Boarding School numbers one hundred and seven pupils, and Miss Scott rejoices over the fine report she can give of their progress in book learning as well as growth in character. An addition to the dormitory is badly needed. Miss Hodge had the evangelistic work on this district, but had to come home on health leave in January; but the remembrance of the pleading voices of the women she left, as they asked, "Who will tell us the way, when you are gone"? and the knowledge that in that land where the laborers are few there is not one who could be spared to take her place, is not conducive to rest and recuperation. The average attendance of those who came to hear the Gospel story each month was over 1,100.

OUDH DISTRICT and the city of Lucknow, where our work first began, is naturally a point of interest which increases year by year, as the work grows in importance and wide-spreading influence. Miss

Nichols has bravely met the heavy responsibilities placed upon her, encouraged and sustained by her sister missionaries and teachers, who were all of one mind, and that to do their very best, and leave the rest with the dear Heavenly Father, and when did ever His servants call to Him in vain? In the Isabella Thoburn College, in city work, in the Home for Homeless, the record of the year was very encouraging. It is estimated that there are three million women and girls in this district, and on many of these poor darkened minds the Gospel light has dawned, and they rejoice in the blessed assurance that there is hope on earth and joy in Heaven for women.

The Sitapur Boarding School, under Miss Loper's efficient superintendence has had a good year, and the record of the year's work of the hundred girls is bright and hopeful. Quite a number have learned the "better way" and are willing learners in the lessons of self-denial and helpfulness, and their growth in character on the best lines cheers the heart of their superintendent. Mrs. Messmore has charge of the Zenana work in this district, and has eight bible-women under her charge. In looking over the appointments and reports of North India conference, the frequent mention of circuit work, brings forcibly to mind our own early history, as a church. There are six circuits in Oudh District, and in these forty-six Bible-women are regularly employed.

BAREILLY-KUMOAN DISTRICT, combines a wonderful net-work of Christian effort, reaching from the hot plains of Central India on the south to the borders of Thibet on the north, where Dr. Sheldon and her no less brave assistant, Miss Browne, are laying the foundations of a great work among the Bhotiyas. We find Mary Reed at Chendag, still wonderfully "kept" from suffering and from doubt, and busy with her Master's business. The next is Miss Sullivan and the work at Pithoragarh, which she cares for while Miss Budden takes her "home leave". Eighteen Bible-women and three assistants help in this many-sided work, and much good is accomplished. The little Boarding School at Dwarahat has met the purpose of its founding to the satisfaction of all interested.

NAINI TAL with Wellesley Girls' High School, has gone another year, as in the past, adding, through Miss Easton's wonderful management, not only to the reputation of the school, but to the value of the property. It is clear of debt, and valued at $53,000, and Miss Easton gives Miss Sellars great praise for her school work.

The Bidwell Memorial work at Shajahanpore continues its prosperous work with 103 girls on the roll. Miss Organ reports a good year, with neither famine nor plague to interfere.

BAREILLY. Mrs. M. E. Scott's Woman's School and Theological

Seminary, sending out last year 12 women, trained for mission workers. This makes 356 women who have had more or less training in this school in the last thirty years.

Medical Work. Mrs. Drees reports in city work, 264 patients. She also added a course of medical training to the wives of theological students. Dr. Margaret Lewis reports a large year's work in the Mission Hospital; 250 operations had been performed, 120 in-patients in the hospital. The year's report for dispensary: total number treated, 21,163, of whom more than 7,000 were new cases. She adds, "we are so glad and thankful that so many have heard the message and trust the Spirit has carried the good Word to many hearts."

The Bareilly Orphanage deserves special notice as it is older than our society, and should be treated with due honor. Thousands of girls have been cared for there in the thirty-three years. Miss English reports 285 girls, besides 20 day scholars.

BIJNOUR DISTRICT.—The work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary in this district is under the charge of Mrs. Florence Perrine Mansell, whose husband is presiding elder. The Girls' Boarding School in Bijnour, is superintended by Mrs. Mansell, assisted by Miss McMullen and Mrs. Connelly. Both teachers are Lal Bagh girls, and under Mrs. Mansell's experienced guidance, are making fine workers. All the boarding scholars are members of the Junior League and the older ones also members of W. F. M. Society. They manage by working in various ways to get some money, and are very generous in giving. City work and Zenana work, are under charge of this devoted missionary. The Zenana work is promising also. The district work last year was under Miss Mary Means until her return to America on health leave. There are ten circuits in which forty-six Bible-women visit regularly in Zenanas, or hold meetings with those who are not shut in, and they are welcomed in many places, and the seed sown will bring forth fruit in due time.

E. T. COWEN, *Official Correspondent.*

NORTHWEST INDIA CONFERENCE.

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MISSIONARIES.

Aligarh.

MISS LAURA BOBENHOUSE,
MISS ANNA GALLIMORE.

Brindaban.

MISS EMMA SCOTT. M. D.,
MISS MATILDA BURNAM.

Meerut.

MISS MELVA A. LIVERMORE,
MISS ANNIE S. WINSLOW.

Ajmer.

MISS CHARLOTTE T. HOLMAN,
*MISS LILLIAN E. MARKS,
*MISS LAURA E. WRIGHT,
MISS EDNA L. BECK, M. D.

Cawnpore.

MISS ADA J. LAUCK.

Muttra.

MISS M. EVA GREGG,
MISS ISABEL MCKNIGHT.

Phalera.

MISS ANNA E. LAWSON.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES.

*MRS. SCOTT,
MRS. ASHE,
MRS. CLANCY,
MRS. WILSON,
MRS. HOSKINS,
MRS. BUCK,
MRS. THOMAS,
MRS. D. CLANCY,
MRS. MANSELL,
MRS. LAWSON,
MRS. LYON.

*Home on leave.

*I will try to give you an idea of what our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society workers have been doing this year, and in this you will find an indirect hint of our needs.

Miss Fuller's death and Mrs. Gilder's homegoing necessitated an arrangement for the work in Raipur, and as Mrs. Wilson was willing to take the Agra Medical Home, which was her first love, Miss Harvey was transferred to the Southern conference. The Medical Home has prospered, and the girls who graduated have received employment. Mrs. Wilson has charge of the woman's work on the Kasganj district, and with her other duties has really more than one woman's work. However, she keeps her health, and says she is glad to be useful in the Lord's service.

Muttra was deprived of Miss Abbott's services but gained Miss McKnight, and the work has been going on well. The new building — Mr.

*This report is written by Mrs. Hoskins, official correspondent for the conference.

Blackstone's gift — is a delight and a comfort. The additional rooms were greatly needed, owing to increase of pupils, and it is satisfactory to know that the principal and assistants feel that better work can be accomplished since they are emancipated from their cramped quarters. One of the promising things in our work is the fact that we are educating our own teachers and helpers, and yet we cannot supply the needs. Scarcely a month passes that I do not receive urgent letters begging me to find a good assistant, bible reader or teacher for some station; and this is not only for our own conference, but for other conferences also.

The training school and boarding school have each an increase of pupils, and in both the girls are growing spiritually. Indeed, I can say this of all our boarding schools, and one of my great pleasures as I attend the district conferences and the boarding school examinations is the real earnest spirit shown by the women and girls, not only to live right themselves but to teach others of Jesus Christ.

The older girls in all our schools take heed to the example they set before the younger ones. The Meerut Boarding School stood high in the government examination, and all the classes were commended. It is a pleasure to see these girls growing up to be true Christian women. Many of them will be village workers by and by. The Cawnpore school sustains its well-earned reputation. The two girls who are in the Dufferin dispensary are well spoken of by the doctor in charge, and are learning to be very useful. Two of the older girls express a desire to study medicine when they have finished their studies.

We feared Miss Bobenhouse would not be strong enough to hold the work in the Aligarh school, but she has improved in health and enjoys her work. The school is doing well. I am pleased with the knowledge of the Bible which those poor waifs from heathendom are gaining both in Aligarh and Allahabad, where eighty children, large and small, are learning to love the one true God. It is wonderful how quickly these poor, ignorant children, who seem not far above animals when they come to us, develop and learn. In Ajmer we find the same is true, and this is what makes our school work so full of interest.

The work of the several districts in our conference, so far as the reports have reached me, is going forward as well as possible with the limited number of workers. The supply does not equal the demand. It is pitiable sometimes to hear people say, "Why do you not send us teachers? If your religion is better than ours, why do you not teach us?" We are doing the best we can; but, oh! how much there is yet to do.

The work on the Punjab district will be one of our best and most profitable investments. For years we have felt that we were missing an opportunity in not taking hold of that part of India as if we meant to

take it for Christ. For years this work has been carried on under great difficulties of distances and languages. From Mussouri, on the Himalaya mountains, to Multan, away up in the sandy desert of Sindh, is a distance of 500 miles. The Punjab has a population of 25,000,000, who speak a language all their own and very different from that spoken in any of the Northwest provinces. The customs are also entirely different. Heretofore and even now we have had to import our workers from other parts of the country. This has proven in a measure a failure. They do not readily adapt themselves to new and strange conditions, hence become dissatisfied and in the end return to their own province. The time has come for us to begin at the beginning and open up boarding schools for the people of the Punjab alone and educate and train our own workers.

Will not the workers at home make this great and needy field a subject of special prayer, and enter it with heart and means, and—conquer?

MATILDA WATSON,
Official Correspondent.

SOUTH INDIA CONFERENCE.

Organized as a Conference, 1876.
Re-organized, 1886.

MISSIONARIES.

Haiderabad.
CATHARINE WOOD,
ALICE EVANS,
ELIZABETH WELLS.

Kolar.
FANNIE F. FISHER,
FLORENCE MARKELL,
GRACE M. WOODS.

Madras.
GRACE STEPHENS.

Raichur.
MARGARET B. CARVER.

Raipur.
EMILY L. HARVEY.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

Raipur.
MRS. G. K. GILDER.

Bidar.
MRS. A. E. COOK.

With this white field calling continuously for more reapers, how inexplicable the Providence that removed Miss Delia A. Fuller, November 14th, from a section so needy and so promising as Sironcha. Encouraged by the souls already harvested and the many more turn-

ing toward the Light, she wrote, "There is positively no limit to opportunities for successful work save workers and money." Satisfied that she was where God had placed her, she was planning for advance and improvement to property that would tend toward self support.

The women and the children waiting for instruction, our buildings vacant and unprotected, and Miss Fuller's lonely grave, all call loudly for two missionaries, one of them having had experience in India.

RAIPUR. Godavery District, with an area as large as the State of Ohio, contains four millions of unevangelized souls, and Raipur City and Circuit eight hundred thousand women and girls for whom nothing was being done till Rev. George K. Gilder, presiding elder of the district, assisted by personal friends and famine funds, came to their relief.

In 1899, the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, through the Baltimore Branch, entered the field, and its growth has been phenomenal.

Supervision of the work has passed from the hands of Mrs. Gilder to those of Miss Emily L. Harvey, who says: "I have never in India found people so accessible to the Gospel as are these. They are literally waiting for it; hungry for the Bread of Life." Twenty-five acres have been purchased, and $1,500 pledged for the first building, an orphanage. We have also united with the General Missionary Society in the purchase of two acres for a burial lot.

BIDAR. The small appropriation made for this place has been used to support girls in Raichur Boarding School, Hyderabad. Notwithstanding the removal of a valuable assistant in zenana work, and Miss Evans' absence, all departments of work have been carried on, and the Boarding School has had a remarkably prosperous year. Miss Wood has secured a desirable piece of property, well located, for a Zenana Home.

VIKARABAD. There is an excellent opening for our work here, and a lease of land has been secured. We are urged to build Deaconess' Home and dormitories. Bangalore sends an urgent appeal for two missionaries, Mrs. Buttrick's supervision being withdrawn by her return to England. There is a fine opening here, it is said, for English work, and could we take on the Baldwin School it would soon be self-supporting and an honor to the mission.

KOLAR. Miss Maskell's large work is being vigorously and successfully pushed. The boarding school and orphanage in Miss Fisher's hands has been faithfully cared for by Miss Woods.

RAICHUR. Miss Carver is most grateful for the $225, which put up the temporary dormitories, and by this time she probably has purchased the coveted piece of land for new buildings. She says Raichur District is a fruitful field; the people are turning to Christianity by whole villages

and are offering to support their pastors. As a consequence, her school is growing in favor, and a daughter of the chief Mohammedan official in Raichur is a pupil. This man is chairman of the Board of Public Instruction, and she hopes through his influence and that of the director to secure the grant in aid for which she applied. Twenty girls recently asked to be received into the church. Of this number she selected ten, and they, with five probationers, have been formed into a class for instruction, preparatory to reception into the church.

MADRAS. Work progresses very favorably in all departments. More villages are visited, more zenanas entered, and the schools are larger in numbers. Every branch feels the invigorating touch of Miss Stephens, its superintendent. Upon her landing in Bombay, letters and telegrams of greeting poured in upon her, and a splendid ovation marked her entrance into Madras. The surprise of her life was the Gateway to the Compound, erected in her absence by Baltimore Branch. The tablet bears this inscription: Memorial to Grace Stephens, Superintendent Madras Mission Work, Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Erected by Baltimore Branch. "Give her of the fruit of her hands; let her own works praise her in the gates." It is called a Rajah's gateway. Miss Stephens has copied some of our methods; notably the use of mite-boxes. They are placed in the Caste Girls' School and in the poor schools of the villages, the latter receiving not money, but rice; oftentimes a portion of the small daily allowance of the child's food. A girl came into possession of two small coins. Her first thought was to spend them upon herself, but remembering the mite-box she started on a run to reach it. Pursued by the temptation to self-gratification, she ran the faster, and reaching the school almost breathless, she exclaimed: "Get the mite-box, quick." In Bethesda—the little house by the gate—come every Wednesday afternoon the poor, the diseased, the halt and the blind who have been led to Christ, for further instruction. At close of the meeting each one receives half of a loaf of white bread, probably the only good meal they will have till they come again. One day of the month Miss Stephens has a zenana-at-home day, when the ladies are free to pay her a visit, and they avail themselves of the opportunity. In the home is what she calls her Bethel; a room set apart for prayer, and before any worker living on the premises, or outside, sets out for the daily task they come there for prayer. And she claims that the many idols and other trophies brought in are God's answers to these prayers. One large idol called Bamah, dressed in costly, gorgeous robes, Dr. Rudisill says, eclipses those of the Pope of Rome. But the most extraordinary is a photograph of the Great High Priest of India, and he an uncle to Sooboonagam Ammal, her mother's

own brother. The photo was worshipped for four years; the devotee, a pupil of Sooboo's, giving it to her because she had learned to worship the true God. Sooboonagam is doing a beautiful work in a beautiful spirit. She and Menambal occupy the Nicodemus House, living in sweet accord and witnessing to the truth of the promise made to those who have left kindred or lands for His sake and the Gospel's.

Respectfully submitted,

E. B. STEVENS, *Official Correspondent.*

BOMBAY CONFERENCE.

Organized as a Conference 1892.
Woman's Work Commenced 1884.

MISSIONARIES.

Basim,
MARTHA J. MILLER.

Baroda.
MARY E. WILLIAMS.

Bombay.
CHRISTINA H. LAWSON,
ELIZABETH W. NICHOLS.

Godra.
ANNA A. ABBOTT.

Jabalpur.
NETTIE M. HYDE,
LOUISE HEAFER,
FANNIE A. BENNETT.

Khandwa.
ANNA R. ELICKER.

Poona.
ESTELLE M. FILES,
MARTELLE ELLIOTT.
*ELIZABETH M. BENTHEIN.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. M. D. ABBOTT,
MRS. ROBBINS,
MRS. D. O. FOX,
MRS. E. B. FREASE,
*MRS. F. R. FELT,
MRS. R. G. WARD,
MRS. W. L. CLARKE,
MRS. E. W. PARK.

*Home on leave.

OTHER LADIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. DR. STEPHENS,
MISS HOLM,
MRS. VARDON.

IN CHARGE OF ENGLISH WORK.

MRS. W. H. STEPHENS,
MRS. WOOD,
MRS. L. E. LINZELL,
MRS. OSBORNE.
MRS. H. E. CALKINS,

BOMBAY DISTRICT, *Bombay.*—The evangelistic work in this place is under the supervision of Miss Nichols, of the New York Branch. The past months have been full of trial. The first blow fell when Miss Robinson was transferred to North India. This was followed by the sudden death of Mrs. Fritchley, who for years has been the faithful Zenana teacher in the homes of scores of women.

Orphanage.—By the transfer of Miss Miller to Basim, Miss awson (New York Branch) on her return to India, was enabled to resume e charge of this work where her many duties, in addition to the respon- ɔility of the Telegaon School, keep both heart and hands full to over- ›wing. There have been a number of conversions among the girls, and hers have received new inspiration from meetings held during the onth of April.

Boarding School.—Of this institution Miss Lawson writes: "After irteen months' furlough I arrived in Bombay, December 7th, and on nuary 1st took charge of the school.

I found many changes, for from August to November, there had :en thirty-three deaths and others were still weak from the disease that :d carried off so many. Since January six of these have passed away ıd four others, two from acute and two from lingering diseases.

Seventeen girls I received from the famine districts in 1900 just before ›ing home, were recently found to belong to another mission. The istake came through the deceit of a native worker in that district. Of ›urse we returned the girls to their homes. By death and removals the hool has lost during the year, 79 girls. There have been 23 admissions, aking the number now enrolled 104.

The girls have advanced spiritually and in April there were several ›nversions and others received a new impetus in their Christian life.

At the annual inspection in November all did well and the fancy ɔrk made for inspection was sold at conference for rupees twenty-five.

Some necessary repairs have been made to the buildimgs, also some anges in arrangement of rooms, making the place more comfortable d healthful."

Telegaon Branch School.—Since January the Telegaon Orphanage s been supervised from Bombay. We were fortunate in securing iss Phillips, an English lady, to take charge, and she has been ›ing excellent work. Continued attacks of fever, however, make it cessary for her to give up the position, and as we find the facilities for dustrial work in Telegaon very poor and the number of girls has eatly decreased, arrangements are being made to remove the girls other institutions.

Work in Zenanas and City Schools. Miss Nicholls writes: "You ıve heard before from me how wonderfully God continues to open doors r us in this old plague-stricken city of Bombay. The houses we visit eekly number about 200, but this, of course, does not include the ımber of women to whom we have had the privilege of speaking the ord of God; possibly they number from 1,200 to 1,500 weekly."

The word of God is received with gladness by many of these dear women. We can only praise Him when we see the eagerness with which they welcome us and give a chair or spread a mat on the floor for us to sit on, and then say, "Don't go yet; sit a little longer," calling forth from us more words of a Saviour's love and tenderness.

A very marked feature in our work of late has been the delight many of the high caste ladies take in coming to our bungalo. They take tea and cake with us, after which, at their own request, we sing a number of gospel hymns. This freedom was a thing unknown a few years ago.

In February, Mrs. Fritchley, one of our workers, was suddenly called to her heavenly home, and it is quite touching to hear these women speak so lovingly and tenderly of her ministry to them.

Our city schools have maintained a fairly regular attendance during the year, and the children are usually responsive to scripture truths. Our great need now is the funds to open a high caste school for Jeudah girls (secluded). These girls are only allowed to go to school until twelve years of age, so, if we are going to reach them at all we must not delay, for "now is the accepted time". The number enrolled at present on our city school book is 60.

The Marathi *Woman's Friend* has been edited monthly and is much appreciated by those who read it.

POONA. Taylor High School, in charge of Misses Elliott and Files, is having a very successful year. Miss Files, by her long experience, has already made herself invaluable to the school by her work in charge of the kindergarten and teachers' training class. At the last annual examination 75 per cent. of the pupils sent up passed, and the three sent up for college entrance all passed. Two are employed in our mission and one has gone to a medical school to prepare for wider usefulness. Miss Elliott writes: "There are Scotch, Irish, Welsh, English, Australian, Norwegian, American, West Indian, Portuguese, Eurasian, Hindu, native Christian and Jews enrolled. Two children have come all the way from Africa to attend this school, and the parents of two others are in China. The majority of the pupils are orphans. There are three circles of King's Daughters and a Little Light Bearers Mission Band, which is supporting a little famine girl. We have been re-enforced this year by Miss McReddie and Miss D'Cruize, two B. A.'s from the Isabella Thoburn College.

One day I was looking worried and a little five-year-old said, "Are you worried, Miss Elliott?" I said, "Yes, dear." Her answer was, "Don't worry, Miss Elliott; just write a letter to God and tell Him all about it."

Marathi Day Schools. Mrs. Fox reports for this work: "At present Poona is free from plague and famine, and the schools have

assumed a most cheerful aspect. In one school we have pupils whose mothers only a few years ago were among our brightest scholars. We frequently meet the old girls, now become matrons, and in almost every instance find they are still praying to Jesus and reading the Testaments which we gave them when they left the schools. Some, who are not permitted to read the Scriptures in their husband's homes, enjoy this privilege on visiting their parents.

Whenever we meet these dear girls there is always a happy recognition and clinging affection on their part that appeals most strongly to our sympathy. Doubtless many would be out-and-out Christians were they free to follow their own desires.

Hindustani Zenana Work. Mrs. Varden has charge of this work and praises God for "listening ears" and "open doors". The number of houses regularly visited has increased, "the causes of which are two, namely, "*the Lord's blessing on the work*" and "*the timely increase sent by our soeiety.*" A little while ago a Mohommedan woman sent for Mrs. Varden and asked if her religion had any message in it for poor women and she was glad to tell the old, old story to such a listener.

Report of Poona Medical Work. Mrs. Stephens writes: Our hearts have been made glad many times by seeing our efforts to relieve the physical suffering of these poor women and children successful. We have been especially successful in our work among children, and it is as well it is so, as I treat the children from five different schools. The present year has thus far been a very healthy one. Notwithstanding this I have prescribed for nearly one hundred children per month, and many of these have had their medicines repeated several times. I am thankful to say there has been no serious epidemic of any kind. I have many times said one sees little results spiritually from an out-patient's department, but we can only go on sowing, and many times our seeds are very small indeed, and consist perhaps of only a smile, together with a loving interest in, a solicitude for, the suffering one—and these, coupled with a gentle touch in examining and dressing, are not lost on those who, to say the best, do not receive over and above their share of kindness. However, in the midst of all these poor patients I have lately had two from a different class of society—one, Tai Maharaj, a widowed princess, who has everything in the way of wealth, but alas no son to perpetuate the name and title. On the day I was called to see her the lawyers were coming to make out the adoption papers in favor of a nice looking lad of about 17 or 18 years. She was too ill to sit up and I was asked to leave a note requesting the officers to allow her to sign the papers while lying down, The other was the wife of a Brahman lawyer of great wealth, who was brought to Poona so I could attend her in her

confinement. This I did and all passed off well; but just as the nurse was about to bathe the baby I was told to "bide a wee," and in came the father and the family priest. The father proceeded to put a bit of gold dipped in sacred oil in the child's mouth (he never even looked toward the mother) to touch its forehead, chin and cheeks. Then the priest read the child's horoscope (fortune) from some sort of an almanac. It gave the time when he should be named, his fortune, his success in life, length of life, etc., and so far as I could gather was a most fortunate horoscope. They then left us to finish our work in peace. The next day when I called I found a band had been engaged to sit in the garden and play in honor of the grand event of the birth of a son. Almost every time I called some new ceremony was in progress. On the seventh day the whole place was almost deluged. A number of people had been hired to carry and pour water in the verandah. I suppose the idea was to purify the place, not knowing that outward washings cannot cleanse the soul. I trust that some seeds we dropped may bring forth fruit. I should like to say something also about a purdah party I had, at which a young Hindoo girl played on the piano, and also of my Saturday morning beggar's class, where from 60 to 100 hear the Gospel every Saturday and afterwards get a pice each. In all these ways we try to spread abroad the knowledge of the love of Jesus.

CENTRAL PROVINCES DISTRICT. *Basim.* Mrs. Moore, who has had charge of this work for so many years, was obliged to return to America, owing to ill health; and Miss Miller, whose knowledge of Marathi made her just the one for the place, was sent to take charge. She says that owing to Mrs. Moore's discipline in the past years, the work was very easy to take up and the school is progressing beautifully. There are at present 82 girls on the roll. "Many know the Lord and testify to the keeping power of Christ."

"Zanana work (or rather house to house visitation, as we have no proper Zenanas in Basim) is also very encouraging. The four women who work in Basim City are cordially received and the gospel is listened to with interest. We are admitted into many high caste homes, and many express their belief in Christ although they have not courage to publicly confess Him. We also have bible-women at two out-stations. The seed is taking root and we expect ere long to see it spring up and bear fruit."

Kampti. Mrs. Clarke writes most encouragingly of her work in this station, especially among the high caste women. "A young wife when very ill requested that prayer be made to the Christian's God for her recovery." Another requested that she be visited every day that she might hear the story of Christ. "The village work has been very satis-

factory and one woman has made a public confession of Christ and been baptized. The hopes for the day school are in the future, when the girls will have homes of their own. One bright girl died very suddenly, but left a beautiful testimony of her faith in Christ."

Khandwa Boarding School and Orphanage. Miss Elicker reports: "Early in January we had a few meetings with the girls, when many of them gave their hearts to the Lord. We notice a change for the better in their lives: The older girls are much interested in their Bible study, and each is eager to possess a Bible of her own. Many have bought them with money earned by making lace. While at Pachmarlle I sold 40 rupees' worth of lace. We have quite a nursery of babies. Within the last ten months we have taken in six, varying in age from seven days to two years. The last is an English child, seven days old, whose mother died and the father came to us for help in his distress. We are only keeping it until other arrangements can be made. Another blessing of this year is a good matron, who relieves me of much anxiety."

KHANDWA. *Zenana Work,* under Mrs. Abbott's supervision, is doing nicely. "We were much encouraged," she writes, "in visiting a village where a worker had been placed a few months previous, to see how readily the Christian girls were learning to read and to hear them repeat the Lord's prayer and ten commandments, also to sing the hymns. One of our women working among a low caste has lately gained access to homes of higher caste, and the women hear her gladly, saying, "We thought this new teaching only intended for the 'low caste;' now we see it is intended for everybody." At Barhanpur the native pastor reports the women as being cheerfully received wherever they go, both in town and villages.

JABALPUR. *Boarding School and Orphanage.* Miss Hyde says of this institution: "Looking back over the first six months of the year 1902, I can see how different from our proposal has been God's disposal, and I can praise Him for His wisdom and tender mercies, which have been unfailing. During the visit Mrs. Calkins made to the churches here, the longed-for revival came. Scores of our dear girls gave their hearts to Christ, and we are seeing the fruits in their lives, though they are indeed 'babies in Christ.' The health of the school has improved much during these months and was especially good during May and June. The educational work has been very satisfactory. The class which made such a good record in 1901 has again been the banner class, 79 out of 80 having passed. With a stronger corps of teachers good records could be made in all the classes. A few of our great blessings are: Dr. Norton, soon to be with us; Miss Bennett's steady improvemen in health, and my own almost perfect health during the strain of heavy work in the hot season. There are 300 girls in the school.

The Zenana Work is making as much progress as can be expected under the circumstances. Unmarried girls cannot go into this work safely, and owing to the "cut" in the Parent Board appropriations and their inability to take on more male workers, there are fewer married women to be employed. Then, too, the other societies at work in the station pay higher salaries than we can afford to give, thus cutting off our supply in another direction. The two city schools have been carried on under difficult circumstances, and for a time one has been closed, though it is hoped it may be re-opened soon or another in its place. Miss Heafer has charge of this work.

NARSINGHPUR. Eight bible-women and one assistant in Narsinghpur have done faithful work among the women of the town and in several of the surrounding villages. Many of these women have learned several of our hymns and are familiar with parts of the Bible; and we know that some of them have given up idolatry. The women in the training class have made fair progress in their studies. In the out stations our three bible-women have been aggressive in their work; one has in addition to going regularly to the best houses of her village two hours a week, taught the Bible and Christian hymns to the girls in the Government Girls' School, taught by a Brahmain. In Gadawara we are encouraged by the attitude of the better class of Mohammedan women. During the past month we have commenced work in a new village. The wife of our preacher, already there, opened 17 houses and has a promising Sunday school.

BARODA. Miss Williams says: "There seems to be every prospect now that the long delayed purchase of a permanent site for our school is now about to be consumated. The details are now being arranged and it is hoped to have the matter so far completed that the buildings can be begun immediately after the monsoon, and at least, a part of it occupied by January, 1903.

The regular school work has gone on steadily with zeal, and the examinations passed were in the most cases satisfactory. The girls are instructed in all kinds of housework and it is with satisfaction that we see them developing into useful, all-round women with their hands trained as well as their minds. We aim to make our school a home where our girls can be fitted for true usefulness in any position in which they may be placed.

During the year a series of revival meetings were held in which twenty-five of the girls signified their wish and purpose to consecrate their lives to the service of Christ. Some are looking forward to active missionary work, and we are expecting much from their lives thus consecrated in their youth to the Master's service.

The year opened bright with hope for the future; it closes with hope realized and strong faith that He who has so wonderfully helped in the past, will abundantly bless in the days to come."

GUJARAT, INDIA. *Evangelistic Work.* A deaconess writes: "One could not, if one wanted to, take a pessimistic view of the evangelistic work in Gujarat. It was my privilege to be appointed to this work in January, 1902. As soon as possible a trip was made on the circuits allotted to my charge. On the Ord Circuit we have splendid opportunities. Every day during my visit there, my bible-woman and myself went to one or two of the villages, as time allowed, and held meetings. Sometimes inside of a house, other times in front of the house. Large numbers attended, some with their babies, others turned in on their way home from the well, to hear the Gospel of the water of life. We have a night school at Ord and a Sunday school. Evangelistic work is carried on briskly.

Vaso.—The work here is of an intensely interesting nature. When visiting there, we found a woman dying of plague, but when asked if it was all right, her face lighted up and she told us she belonged to Jesus.

We held some meetings for women in the house of the native pastor. The place was quite full and we had to turn some men away who wanted to come. At Navagam we have a flourishing day school, conducted by one of the women. She is so faithful in all she does. We need what the early church enjoyed, more of the power of the Spirit."

BENGAL CONFERENCE.

Organized as a Conference 1886.
Re-organized 1893.
Woman's Work Commenced 1882.

MISSIONARIES.

Asansol.
MIRIAM FORSTER.

Darjeeling.

EMMA L. KNOWLES, JULIA WISNER,
JOSEPHINE STAHL, MARY V. MCKINLEY.

Calcutta.

KATE A. BLAIR, ELIZABETH MAXEY,
JENNIE MOYER, ANNA SUDERSTROM,
CARRIE SAMSON.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. J. E. ROBINSON, MRS. ADA LEE,
MRS. J. CULSHAN, MRS. J. P. MEIK,
MRS. F. W. WARNE, MRS. W. P. BYERS.

The Girls' School in Calcutta, under Miss Samson's care, is growing in numbers and influence. She has had royal helpers in Misses Stores and Henkle. The former has the higher classes in her department, and under her skillful training the scholarship of that grade has greatly improved. Miss Stores is a rare teacher and gives her services without remuneration.

Miss Henkle has not been strong this year, but has been full of zeal for, and interest in, the work which has fallen into her hands.

Miss Samson has taken several of her older girls on her teaching staff and has sent one to Muttra.

The Girls' School at Darjeeling has grown rapidly in numbers and in favor with the people. The new building, the Almira Pierce Hall, was finished and occupied early in April. It is a three story building, strongly built, and very comfortable and convenient. Seventy-three pupils have been in attendance, forty of whom were boarders. A goodly number of them have been converted. Miss Knowles has rare power in leading these girls into sincere and earnest Christian lives. She has a profound conviction that the wonderful way in which this work has been

reopened clearly indicates that it is God's plan for a great work, and she is giving herself to it with her wonted zeal and enthusiasm. Miss McKinley and Miss Wisner are her valuable helpers in teaching and training these young girls. Miss Wisner is not strong, but the bracing air of Darjeeling makes it possible for her to remain in India, where she is doing good work teaching the higher classes.

A promise of Rs. 20,000 from the government to aid in the purchase of the property has greatly encouraged our workers in Darjeeling. Some Nepaulese Christian girls have gathered a Sunday School class of wild looking and very dirty children, and are trying to instill into their hearts the blessed Gospel truths that have brought such light and peace into their own lives. No better proof of the genuineness of their own Christian experience could be given than this desire for the salvation of others.

MAZUFFERPORE. This is a splendid field, but sadly needs good, thorough work. The woman's work is barely living. One lone assistant has carried the work, keeping her twenty-five pupils in good order, beside doing considerable zenana and Mohulla visiting, where she found ready listeners to her message of hope and love. If a steady worker could be sent to this accessible people, many would soon be preparing for baptism.

Miss Maxey has been sick almost all the year, and sends an earnest request that some one shall be sent to her relief. Misses Blair and Moyer have worked together at Tumlook this year, but have failed to send any report.

Mrs. Byers has had a prosperous year at Asansole, but the added care of the work at Mazufferpore has made her duties too heavy for her, and she, too, must be relieved as soon as possible.

PAKUR. Mrs. Meik has had no helper at Pakur since Miss Jacobson came to America, and the care of her own little family has left her but little time for supervising the interests of the school. Let us hope that the new building will give a new impetus to the work at Pakur.

Mrs. Lieden has patiently and lovingly labored to uplift the women of Bolpur. At first it seemed almost a hopeless task to teach them to sew or knit. After they had learned button making, she taught them crocheting and sewing. In addition to her Bible classes, Mrs. Lieden held a weekly mother's meeting, and this, added to the work of a good bible-woman, is bringing light and hope to the darkened minds of these poor women.

Mrs. Lee writes of most interesting work by the bible-women, and

of successful tours taken by herself and husband. Her six day schools are growing in interest and attendance.

The greatness of the harvest and the fewness of the laborers is the burden of every letter from Bengal.

The further depletion of the ranks this year has increased the burden of the little band of faithful, tried and true women who represent us in that needy field. Amid all that is depressing and discouraging the infinite power of One who "shall never fail nor be discouraged" is undermining the great fabric of heathenism and surely bringing nearer the time when "the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ".

A sign of His coming kingdom was shown when a congress, with representatives from all parts of India, met in Calcutta recently, and they were obliged to use the English language in order to understand each other, and while the touch of modern civilization is not always benign, a universal language will bring all within reach of Christian helpfulness.

MRS. CHARLOTTE O'NEAL,
Official Correspondent.

MAYLASIA

Including Philippine Islands.

Organized as a Mission 1887, as a Mission Conference 1893.

MISSIONARIES.

Singapore.
SOPHIA BLACKMORE,
*MARY B. LILLY,
EDITH A. HEMINGWAY,
MARY A. CODY.

Penang.
CLARA MARTIN,
IDA ELLIS.

Kuala Lampor.
MRS. MARY MEEK,
R. LUELLA ANDERSON.

Taipeng.
ETHEL JACKSON.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

Ipoh.
MRS. H. L. E. LUERING.

Penang.
MRS. G. F. PYKETT.

Singapore.
MRS. J. R. DENYES.

Philippines.
MRS. N. M. MCLAUGHLIN.

*Home on leave.

In the fifteen years since the Maylasia Mission began its existence most encouraging results have been attained and the work grown beyond expectation. The beautiful Deaconess Home in Singapore is a house of

blessing to more than fifty girls, and a center from which radiates many lines of influence. The devoted Miss Blackmore is ever on the alert for opportunities to advance the cause of Christ among the people. As house-keeper, teacher, evangelistic worker, friend and adviser she is constantly busy and eminently successful in all she undertakes to do. The matron, who has been her faithful helper for the past six years, died during the year. The evangelistic work is carried on principally through the eight home schools in the homes. Many more such schools could be carried on if there were only more workers.

The Bible Training School has made a satisfactory beginning. There is such a demand for trained bible-women, and their services so eagerly sought after, that the school was and is a necessity.

The Singapore Methodist Girls' School numbers as high as 165, including the kindergarten. Miss Lilly's home-coming in March left the school without a head. Miss Cody was the only one who was available to take charge. She has had the work of two missionaries to do. She has been anxiously looking for some one to come to her relief, but as yet no one has been sent. The kindergarten training class had to be given up, as it was impossible for Miss Cody to continue that work. We plead for another missionary for Singapore to take charge of the Girls' school at once, or both school and kindergarten will have to be given up. Miss Hemingway, at Teluk Ayer, has 80 children enrolled in her school. The building is crowded, and a new building in another locality is much desired. There are six and eight pupils at one desk; the desks often go to pieces beyond repair, owing to the ravages of white ants.

Miss Hemingway has also a boys' class in the Anglo-Chinese school of from 75 to 100. Visits to the leper hospital are included in her evangelistic work.

At Kwala Lampor Miss Anderson is singing the gospel into the hearts and lives of her pupils. Miss Anderson writes:

"We try to keep in mind that all of our work should be done for the glory of God. Believing in the refining, uplifting and transforming power of music on our lives, we have earnestly sought to promote its influence among our girls. I try to do some evangelistic work, principally among the Tamils, and here there is a wide field for that work.

There is a constant demand for a boarding school, and many bright, interesting children are slipping away from us into the convent ever open to receive them. We hope arrangements can be made soon when we can have a Protestant boarding school in Kwala Lampor."

Mrs. Meek has 45 scholars in the Kwala Lampor school. The written examinations at close of the school were very satisfactory. Two of the girls come every Saturday morning to study the book of Mark. One is

from a Buddhist home, where they have a private temple. This girl is the idol of her father, who plainly says she is his favorite child. "She is interested in the Bible lessons, yet is loyal to her father. If she should openly announce herself a Christian, the wrath of her father would be more than any mortal girl dare oppose."

Mrs. Meek is just recovering from an attack of Dengue fever, and is far from strong, yet doing her usual work.

Mrs. Leuring at Ipoh has had a very successful year with 35 pupils. She has been assisted in the evangelistic work by a faithful old Chinese bible-woman, and in the school work by Mrs. Paul, the Tamil pastor's wife. Mrs. Leuring says: "For the last three years we have urged the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society to see the great need of deaconess work here, as we see it.

"As to my personal work, I wish to say that I have spent every school day in the year in school, which considering the fact that I am a mother of six children, who all need my help, can scarcely be considered fair to my family, but I have done this work because it is of so much importance, and because there was no one else to take it up. I now ask the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society to release me from this work and send a deaconess at once to take it up."

Dr. Leuring says, "I would urge upon the ladies at home the need of the southern half of the state of Perak, that is, the circuit of Ipoh, with regard to woman's work. We have here a growing girls' school and no competition whatever, as an educational and evangelistic agency, but have failed as yet to secure a deaconess. I have offered to build a deaconess home from local contributions free of charge to the home committee, if a suitable lady would be appointed. Hitherto my wife, and native assistants have done the arduous work aside from her home duties. I feel that it is far too much for her to do and hope that a change may soon be effected."

The work in Penang continues to grow despite the uncomfortable quarters in which our school and missionaries are located. The Charlotte S. Winchell Home has been slow in materializing, but we trust this year will witness its completion. Miss Martin will come home in the spring and we hope our new missionary will be in the field before that time. Miss Ellis cannot carry on the work alone. Mrs. Pykett is happy in the completion of the new 'Rescue Home, a suitable and commodious building all paid for on the field.

Miss Jackson, at Taipeng, has been having success, although under very discouraging circumstances occasioned by the newness of the work and no funds at her command.

There are forty-three girls enrolled in the day school, also Sunday

school and Bible classes for both boys and girls. A house school will soon be started among the Tamils, who are too timid to go to the day school. Dr. West speaks in highest terms of Miss Jackson and her work.

Dr. Leuring writes, "Our Mission in Taipeng opens up for us the whole north of the state of Perak, which portion contains 5000 square miles, just as our chief station, Ipoh, commands the other half of the territory, vis :—another 5,000 square miles. Our educational work in the state with schools at Ipoh, Teluk, Anson and Taipeng, have given us a position before the government which has always been highly appreciated and commended by those in authority. The government has always assisted us in grants-in-aid, gifts of land and houses for educational purposes, and will surely continue their policy so long as we do more efficient work than other educational agencies. You are aware that a beautiful Girls Boarding School has been given us by the government, which aside from the large plot of land on which it is built, represents a value of $3,000, and is sure to increase in value from year to year.

We are requested to make some appropriation for Miss Jackson's special needs in getting her work well organized.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS. The last but not the least in the Malaysia department is our rapidly growing work in the Philippines. It has been difficult to adjust the form of work best suited to the changing conditions of the native element.

The United States government having organized the public school system of education, we could not undertake educational work at this time.

Dr. Stuntz, who has charge in the Philippines, has been making a careful study of the needs for the work among the women and has decided that the deaconess work is best suited for the present. In the early summer a valuable and desirable piece of property was unexpectedly thrown upon the market. Some of the army officers, who are interested in the spiritual development of our new possessions, advanced the money from their own private means to make the first payment on the property in order to hold it for Methodism. One of the houses is very suitable for a Deaconess Home and Training School. There are many native women, who have become most earnest Christians and are anxious to bring others into like experience, but there is no one to teach them the art of soul winning. We are happy, however, to say an organizer of unusual ability feels called to do this kind of work in the Philippines, and will be ready to go as soon as all the preliminary plans are perfected. The home which has been offered to the Woman's

Foreign Missionary Society will be available as soon as the work is ready to go. The property cost the purchasers $6,500 and it has been provided for by the various branches.

MRS. C. W. JOYCE, *Official Correspondent.*

CHINA.

FOOCHOW CONFERENCE.

Organized as a Conference 1877.

Woman's Work Commenced by Baltimore Ladies' China Missiona Society 1858.

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society Commenced Work 1871.

MISSIONARIES.

Foochow.

CARRIE I. JEWELL, JULIA A. BONAFIELD, LYDIA A. WILKINSON,
ELLEN LYON, M. D., HU KING ENG, M. D., FLORENCE PLUMB,
*JEANNE ADAMS, PHEBE L. PARKINSON, PHEBE WELLS.
MRS. SUSAN TIPPETT,

Ming Chiang.

MAE E. CARLETON, M. D., ISABELLA LONGSTREET, MARY PETERS.

Ku Cheng.

WILMA H. ROUSE, E. MARGUERITE GLENK.

Hok Chiang.

*LYDIA A. TRIMBLE, MABEL ALLEN, LUELLA MASTERS, M. D.

Iong Bing.

MABEL C. HARTFORD, ALICE LINAM.

MINISTERS' WIVES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. EMMA NIND LACY, MRS. HATTIE C. WILCOX.

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*Home on leave.

FOOCHOW. Miss Wilkinson and Miss Plumb were appointed the Girls' Boarding School and day schools.

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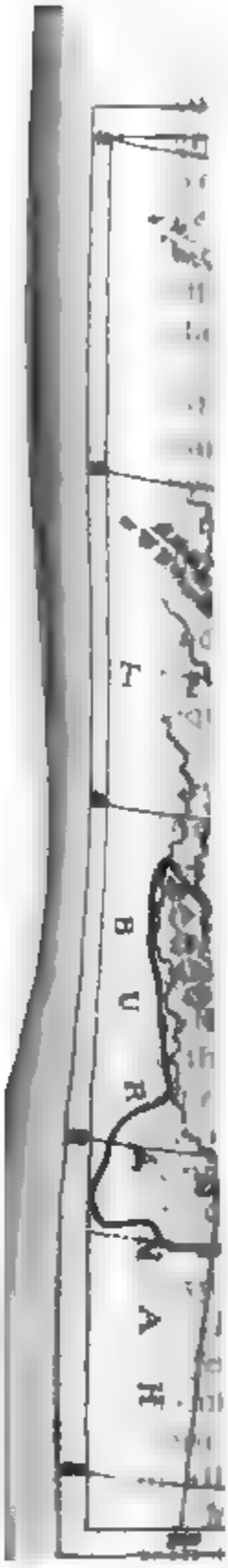

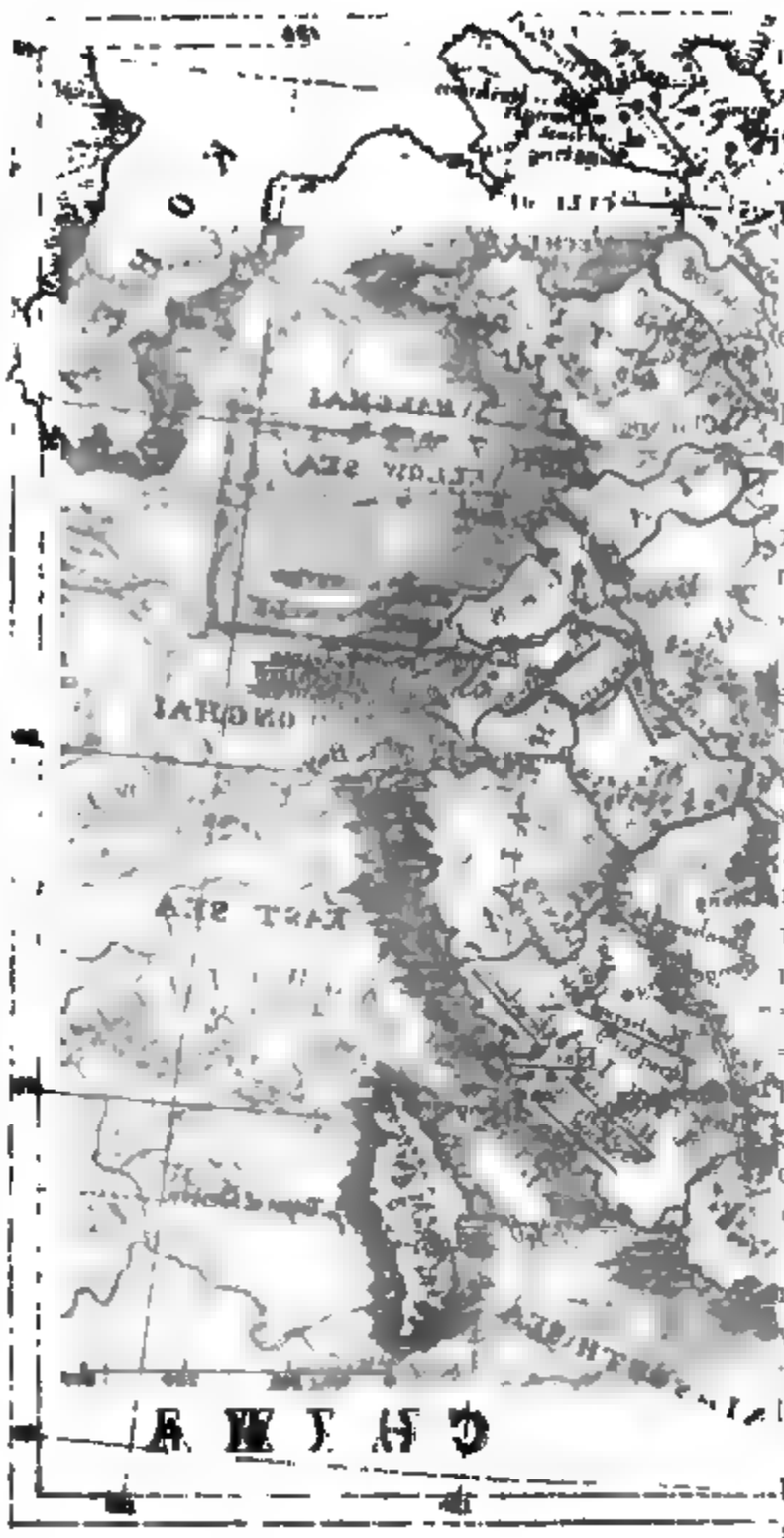

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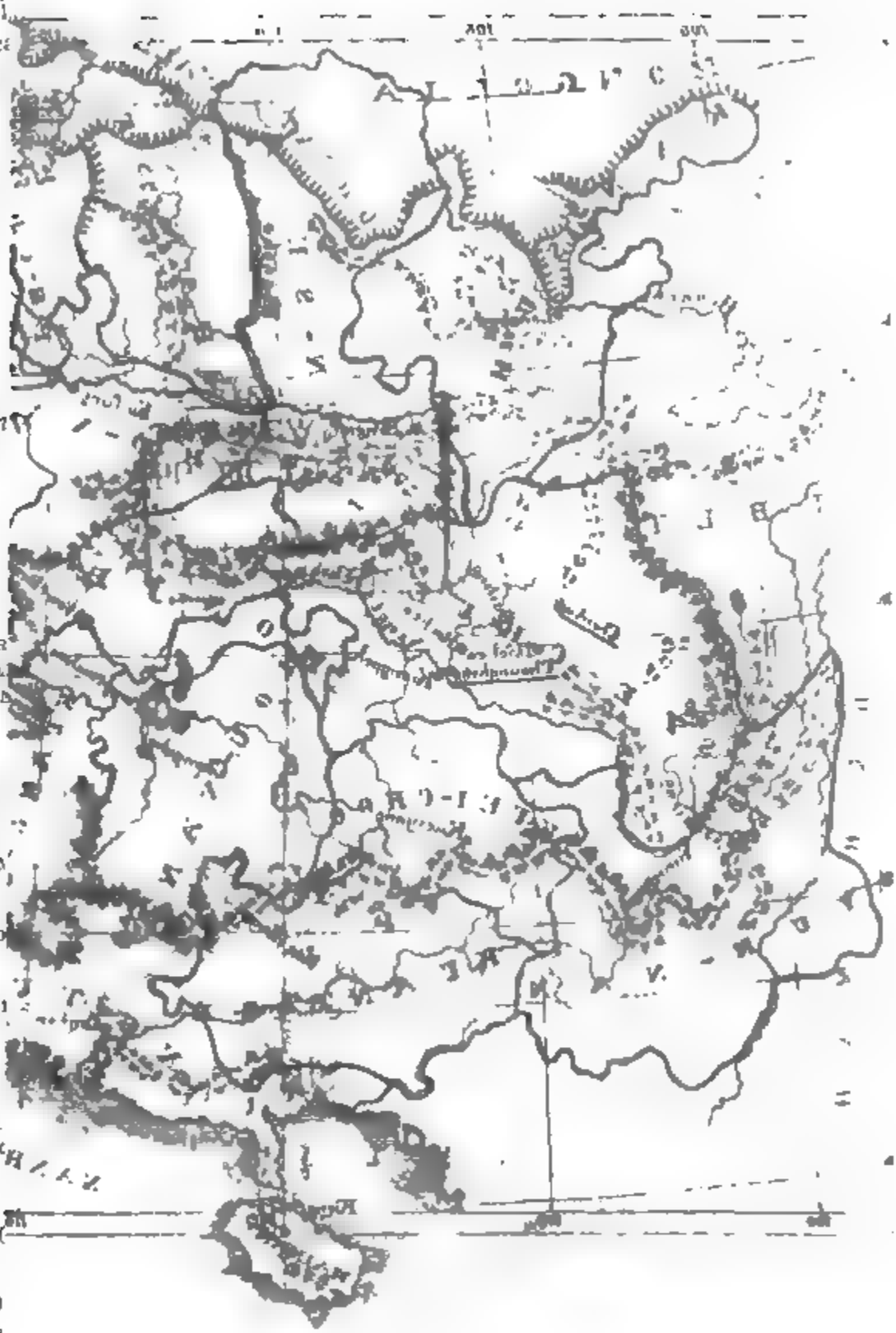

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conference year is one hundred and sixty. The largest class ever graduated from the school (10) finished the course and have begun the work of teachers. The class numbered eleven until November, when Pearle Mathews, one of the brightest and best, went joyfully home, to be forever with the Lord. Seven of the school's graduates are teaching all day, and four others are employed as personal teachers and do class-room work.

The school now employs but one male teacher all day and two others for one hour each day. Miss Plumb's illness would have been a much harder blow for the school had not two of these personal teachers by their knowledge of English, rendered invaluable assistance. Miss Plumb is greatly beloved by the pupils, and they greatly regretted her illness.

Day Schools. This year Foochow has twelve day schools, and they are doing well. As the Boarding School is turning out more teachers each year, and as calls for day schools multiply, more funds are required.

Conference Seminary. Miss Parkinson, in charge of the seminary, says: "God has kept us all in perfect health, and we praise Him for His watchful care and guidance." The enrollment for the year has been twenty-three. Three of these were Catholics, who, by reason of priestly interference, soon withdrew. Estimates for building and scholarships are renewed; Miss Wilkinson stating the scholarships are a necessity if the girls are to have enough English to be helpful to them and to others; the scholarships to be given solely as rewards of merit to those who have passed successively the first two years of the seminary course. Miss Parkinson has shared with Mrs. Tippett the care of the orphanage, and is grateful for so efficient a matron and faithful Amah. The children have been kept in health. Two of the older girls are doing drawn work, and proceeds of sales will help to clothe them. In addition to the number resident in the orphanage, there have been forty kindergarten and day pupils.

Woman's Training School and Romanized School. Miss Carrie I. Jewell in charge. Prevalence of cholera and plague delayed opening of schools till October. For a time five hundred were carried from the city gate daily, and that did not include the many who died in all the closely surrounding villages.

Miss Jewell returned to Foochow from her vacation September 20th, that she might, previous to opening the schools, make some changes in the building that, with a small outlay of money and a larger outlay of time and strength, would accommodate more women. Total enrollment for the year, forty-five. To Miss Jewell a specially pleasing

feature of the year was the punctuality of the women in returning for the opening of the school. "When forty women," says Miss Jewell, "who have lived in different homes, come together in one, and when work, study, home-life must all be planned together, it is inevitable for offenses to come, but it is remarkable how well they get on most of the time." Four who were probationers were received into full membership, and three joined on probation. There has been much house to house evangelistic work. The pupils grouped into divisions and so planned that each woman had her share of the work. Miss Jewell's rest and association with Christian workers in Japan were delightful, and she hoped to return invigorated in body and spirit to do better work for the Master.

Industrial Work. Miss Jeanne Adams is a personal illustration as well as teacher of that much-coveted object in all missions — self-support. With the love of Christ constraining, she renounced a life of ease and pleasure, and at her own expense went to Foochow, and since January 1, 1900, has maintained herself, bending her seemingly inexhaustible energy to instructing other women to be self-respecting and how to meet their needs. The untidy are taught to be clean, the indolent to be industrious, the wasteful to be frugal, and the blind to see Him who is the Light of the World.

Articles of beauty and utility made by these women find their way into brighter homes than theirs, and the sales hold "the wolf" at bay, though he often comes painfully near the door.

MING-CHIANG. *Woman's School.* Misses Longstreet and Glenk cared for the woman's school, the day schools, bible-women and their work in the district in Miss Peters' absence.. After conference Miss Peters, accompanied by Miss Longstreet, returned to Ming-Chiang, she taking charge of the woman's school, Miss Longstreet of day schools and evangelistic work. She found a warm welcome on every side; perhaps the *most* hearty from the native Christians. She was so happy as to secure during the New Year vacation the same teacher she employed in the school before leaving for home. The school opened with the largest attendance they ever had. Miss Longstreet's illness preventing her return after New Year vacation, threw upon Miss Peters the additional burden of the work Miss Longstreet had accepted. She made a trip over the district in April and May and was much pleased with the work done in the schools and by the bible-women.

The work opened in new places is especially interesting. One school opened within the year has 27 pupils; some of them are women who cannot leave their work through the day, and so come at night. An excellent bible-woman is at work there; a good many have joined the church, and they are planning to build a house of worship. A desirable piece of land

has been purchased for the much-needed buildings, and the enclosing wall was probably built in September.

Dr. Carleton returned to Ming-Chiang the first week in October, and though matron and students were anxiously awaiting her arrival, she could not, on account of difficulties which arose in her absence, receive the students till a new agreement was made, and so it was the very last of November before students were received and the hospital opened.

Whenever doctor could get away from hospital routine there was some one waiting to conduct her to property that he was anxious to sell and which was just the place for her hospital. And so she has walked miles and miles to view land which she had no idea of buying. Every smile of approval sent the price up tens of dollars. No one at home, she says, can have any idea of the labor involved in the purchase of a piece of land. However, like all earthly ills, this had an end. Land was purchased, plans drawn, estimates submitted and accepted, and the hospital is being built. It makes the heart ache to read of the disadvantages under which this skilful surgeon has done her work—conditions which in America would not be tolerated for a day.

HOK-CHIANG AND NGU-CHENG DISTRICTS, Miss Allen in charge. The spring term of the Girls' Boarding School opened with 57 pupils, and five graduated in June, two of the number remaining as teachers. The kindergarten department, recently opened, is a great blessing to the little ones and the teacher—one of the first fruits of the Ngu-Cheng School—has done remarkably well. The women in the Romanized school represent two extremes, intelligence and stupidity. The latter have been invited to remain at home. Some of the bright ones who didn't know a letter when they entered school, are, after four months' instruction, reading the primer, catechism, four gospels and twenty hymns. A woman, quite advanced in years, after a few days of study, said to Miss Allen, her eyes brimming with tears: "The letters in my book are too small; I cannot see very well." She was directed to the chart on the wall and she soon learned all there was there. By that time she had glasses, and it was not long before she was able to read anywhere in the Bible, and the look of joy and satisfaction as she bends over its sacred pages is a sight worth seeing. There have been but sixteen pupils in the training school, as Miss Allen thought best to have all who enter first take the course in the Romanized school. Two of the sixteen graduated and have gone into bible woman's work. The children in the fifteen day schools were stimulated in their application to study by the promise made by Miss Trimble —a leaf from the Sunday School leaf cluster; and how proud and happy the successful ones were as they took the pictures home, and with what pride will they explain the same.

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. . . . direct so many departments. Girls' Boarding
. . . . essed year. The enrollment is not so large as last
. . . . has been first-class. This school has been in existence
. . . . its graduates are now teaching in day schools, and
. . . . go out in a few months. Four times in its history the
. . . . disorganized by troubles local or general. This has been
. . . . year; exemption from sickness and peace in our borders.
. . . . Training School has had its usual enrollment. Sunday and
. . . . prayer-meetings have been a help in uniting the girls
. . . . Christian work. Many times the women have hesitated to
. . . . meetings in the presence of the girls, as they have felt
. . . . so much better educated than they, but these union prayer-
. . . . have drawn them together. A new department for the deaf and
. . . . just been started, and prayers are asked for that it may prove
. . . .

. . . . The church has been thrilled with Miss Glenk's
. . . . the unparalleled turning to God in these districts; nothing like
. . . . before known. After a month spent among the villages
. . . . returned to Ku-Cheng with trophies of the conquering power of
. . . . gospel; hundreds of idols, ancestral tablets, incense burners and
. . . . idolatrous things were surrendered to her—more than she could
. . . . away, and a bonfire was made of them in the street. Her report
. . . . replete with marvelous incidents of quick and piercing conviction
. . . . sin, followed by instantaneous release through believing on Him,
. . . . who said, "I will in no wise cast out". But time and space fail to tell
. . . . superstitions destroyed; usages of a life time ignored; fetters removed
. . . . from soul, mind and feet.

. . . . DISTRICT.—Misses Hartford and Linam received
. . . . their conference appointment to the work on this district and took
. . . . up their abode in Yenping. Trials of house-cleaning and repairing, such
. . . . as we experience, are simply play spells in comparison with what con-
. . . . fronted them, and it was January before the Girls' and Woman's Board-
. . . . ing School was regularly opened, though previous to that a few who

could not be turned away were allowed to remain. There were many discouragements the first term, but on the whole, as the days slipped by they promised a prosperous year. Sickness had been averted until near the close of school; then dysentery became epidemic. There were many deaths and Miss Hartford's report is a chapter of woes. That she came through at all, that she escaped collapse let us praise God. Being in a Chinese house it was doubly hard to care for the sick and protect the well; sounds and odors permeated the entire house. Words cannot describe what they suffered from vermin, filth and heat; neither can words express Miss Hartford's gratitude to physicians of other missions who left their own work for weeks together, that they might bear the burdens of another, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

Medical Work.—Dr. Lyon, in charge of Lieng-au Hospital, reports a full year, a busy year. Work in the hospital has gone on much the same. Three of our ladies, Misses Bosworth, Longstreet and Plumb, have been her patients in the Home. She reports the students doing well and hard at work. She is confident that 50 patients as the result of work in the hospital and teaching have accepted Christ, while many more have gone away thoughtful.

Woolston Memorial Hospital, Dr. Hu in charge. In April the first student graduated from this hospital—an event in its history. Owing to the smallness of the room only a few friends could be invited to witness the exercises and share in the pleasure of the occasion. The bible-woman reports patients who have heard the Word and received it with joy, 164.

NGUE-CHENG.—On account of lack of rain and scarcity of water Dr. Masters was obliged to close the hospital in March. She spent her vacation in Foochow, looking after Dr. Lyon's work while she was taking her vacation. Dr. Masters reports the number of enquirers as forty.

MRS. E. B. STEVENS, *Official Correspondent.*

HING-HUA CONFERENCE.

Organized as a Conference in 1896.

MISSIONARIES.

Hing-Hua.	*Sieng-Iu.*	*Ing-Chung.*
MINNIE E. WILSON,	*MARTHA LEBEUS,	ALTHEA M. TODD,
ELIZABETH W. VARNEY,	MARTHA NICOLAISEN.	JESSIE A. MARRIOTT.
PAULINE E. WESTCOTT.		

*Home on leave.

It is a joy to be able to report at this time a better equipment for the work in Hing-Hua conference than for some years past, although all pressing needs, especially of workers, are not met. In Hing-Hua city the unsanitary native houses so long in use for the Hamilton Girls' School and the Juliet Turner Woman's Training School have been replaced by new and commodious buildings, suited to their purposes. By wise foresight and management these were constructed largely from material in the old buildings, the surplus stone being sold so as to nearly cover the cost of building. Mrs. Brewster has rendered valuable aid in superintending the erection of these buildings.

The girls' school will accommodate 100 or more boarders, besides furnishing a chapel and rooms for recitation and industrial work. Miss Varney is in charge. Her sphere embraces the mental, spiritual, physical and industrial training of the girls. No wonder she finds her strength sorely taxed under the strain.

One new missionary, Miss Westcott, has been sent during the year to reinforce the mission at this point. She reports herself as much interested in and drawn to the people. In writing of the school she says: "Special stress is laid upon Bible study. As the girls graduate they are employed as teachers in the school or sent out as day school teachers. All the large girls are taught to weave and cook, while all the students share in the household duties. Thus they are taught how to keep their own homes clean. This is most important, for the Chinese are very delinquent in regard to cleanliness. The students are very industrious. During school hours they are busy with their study, and in the interval they do their own laundry work as well as their sewing. Nearly all make their own shoes. I like to watch the process. A paper pattern is pasted on the material to be used. For their best shoes they use delicate fabrics, silk or wool. Then stamped upon the shoes are very elaborate embroid-

ery designs, which they work with colored silk thread. If they can afford leather they use it for soles, but often these are made of old cloth, pasted together, which serves the purpose very nicely. The rain shoes are made of felt, with wooden soles."

Miss Wilson has been greatly missed from the evangelistic and Bible training work, but she returns from her furlough this fall. A great loss has befallen the conference in the death of four efficient bible-women from plague.

SIENG-IU. Miss Lebeus and Miss Nicolaisen have been made more than thrice glad this year over special gifts for buildings, for which they have been praying. Money for completing the Isabel Hart Girls' School has been furnished by Baltimore Branch. The Germans, who are particularly interested in this station since the missionaries are theirs, have contributed the amount needed for a home, while an elect lady of the same nationality has pledged herself to build a memorial church, in place of one that is already outgrown, and to supply the greater part of the sum required for the erection of a hospital. With grateful hearts these missionaries declare all their needs supplied excepting for more missionaries. As Miss Lebeus has returned home on furlough, Miss Nicolaisen is now alone.

TEH-HOE, ING-CHUNG. Miss Todd writes from her far-away station of her joy in having Miss Marriott with her and of their gratitude for the new Woman's Training School. She says: "It is a pleasure to have the Carrie R. Donnell Memorial where but a few months ago there was only a vacant piece of land. This is the first time I have had a home of my own since I came to China seven years ago, so you may know I feel quite rich. We have accommodations for 32 students. Last year there were 31, and already there are applications for more than ten new students. Do you wonder where I shall put them? The home folks must help answer by supplying the money for a girls' school. It is strange to put up a woman's school and then have it more than full of girls. Several families — that is, the mothers and daughters — wish to come next term. Several will unbind their feet that they may be received into school. All are enthusiastic in praise of the new house, and it seemed hard to convince some that heaven could be any more beautiful.

"We have been longing for a trip over the district, but have been detained. Invitations are coming constantly. The preachers tell me that the women are waiting for the message. I was so happy to have one worker with me, now I am longing for another. Until we have one for each school and one for the district, we cannot expect to see things move as we would like. It takes six weeks for a flying trip over the district, and the poor women need more than this. They need some one to stay

and teach them. How many times I have wished I might stay a month in each place. This would mean that new students would come into the school, and new workers would be prepared to go to their people."

MRS. A. N. FISHER,
Official Correspondent.

NORTH CHINA.

Woman's Work Organized 1871.
Conference Organized 1893.

MISSIONARIES.

	Peking.	
MRS. C. M. JEWELL,		*ANNA GLOSS, M. D.
EFFIE G. YOUNG,		GERTRUDE GILMAN.
	Tientsin.	
MIRANDA CROUCHER,		EMMA MARTIN, M. D.,
MARY E. SHOCKLEY,		ELIZABETH MARTIN.
	Tsun Hua.	
EDNA G. TERRY, M. D.,		ELLA E GLOVER.
	Shantung.	
RACHEL R. BENN, M. D.,		ANNA E. STEERE,
*FRANCES O. WILSON,		*IDA M. STEVENSON, M. D.

*Home on leave.

Our report from this field must be fragmentary, gathered from personal letters, as no formal report has been received. It may be well to preface with Bishop Moore's communication, in which he states that for practical reasons the women met in Teintsin for their conference while the annual conference was in session in Peking. Both societies have provided to re-open work on the old lines in Tsun Hua, and to send missionaries to Shan Hai Kuan. Bishop Moore says: "I visited Tsun Hua and a number of country appointments before the meeting. All had had their baptism of blood. Chapels had been rebuilt better than ever. All the people seemed well disposed, and every prospect was encouraging. In Tientsin you will need to sell out and get nearer the Chinese. Your property is in the French concession, is very valuable and should relegate with money to spare. This is very important and urgent. The Parent Mission proposes to sell out its compound, which will, of course, necessitate our removal."

Mrs. Jewell and Miss Gilman arrived in Peking about the middle of August, having been detained in Shanghai several days for passage

north. It was soon decided that Miss Gilman would be needed in Teintsin as long as the Peking school remains there.

The uniting of these three schools demanded more room for their accommodation. Some rooms in the hospital were utilized, but they were so cramped that they *must* have more room, and they added two or three rooms and made some changes in the old rooms, so that the congestion was somewhat relieved, but when the school year opened with an enrollment of one hundred and sixty pupils it was still quite a problem how all of this large family could be cared for in these limited quarters.

At the present time all are anxious for the school buildings to be ready for occupancy. As plans had not been forwarded to Peking, the waiting for the arrival of Mrs. Jewell caused some delay in commencing, but now with plans matured the work will be pushed as rapidly as possible. Already urgent appeals are reaching us for more workers to be sent that they may have an opportunity to make a good beginning on the language before plunging into the work which *must be done.*

May the glad day soon come when our mission stations shall be so fully equipped with workers that each new recruit shall have a few months at least, to devote to study of the language before assuming care and responsibility of the work.

Our medical ladies have not been idle. Dr. Stevenson had the care of the widows and destitute among the women. Then in October she moved to some Chinese houses that Dr. Lowry allowed her to use, and here she had a dispensary and six rooms for in-patients, where she has had quite a patronage. She reports 6,632 treatments, and very many opportunities for telling of the Great Physician.

Dr. Benn and Dr. Martin have both had thrilling experiences in connection with their work in Tientsin.

Some of the day schools have been kept up with fair attendance, despite the depressing influences and unrest of the past two years. We note with real gratitude of heart that dear old Sister Wang, of "wheelbarrow fame", still lives to tell redemption's story, and her heart's desire now is to be permitted to make a journey to Peking to give the Gospel message in person to the Empress Dowager. May this strong desire to be bearers of the "blessed tidings" to the ends of the earth greatly increase from this occasion, with its hallowing influences, and through our intensified faith and zeal, the missionary fire shall burn and glow on thousands of heart-altars among the women of Methodism, who have never felt its power. "There *is* the sound of going in the tops of the mulberry trees."

MRS. S. A. ALDERMAN, *Official Correspondent.*

CENTRAL CHINA.

Woman's Work Organized in Kiukiang 1874.
Woman's Work Organized in Chinkiang 1884.
Woman's Work Organized in Nanking 1887.

MISSIONARIES.

Chingkiang.

LUCY A. HOAG, M. D., LAURA M. WHITE, GERTRUDE TAFT, M. D., MARY C. ROBINSON,

Kiukiang.

*CLARA E. MERRILL, IDA KHAN, M. D., GERTRUDE HOWE, MARY STONE, M. D., KATE L. OGBORN, CARRIE DREIBELBEIS,

Nanking.

ELLA C. SHAW. MRS. A. C. DAVIS, MARY L. ROWLEY. SARAH PETERS.

Wu Hu.

EMMA MITCHELL.

*Home on leave.

Miss Gertrude Howe says of Central China: "It is a great field, the heart of China. When you have won it for Christ, the world will be fairly won." The battle now is not "against flesh and blood," as in the uprising of 1900, but the God of this world is trying new tactics in grave spiritual dangers before the Christian church. No longer regarded as barbarians, with monstrous ulterior purposes under pretence of benevolence, the foreign Christian element has come to be considered as a power to be manipulated for temporal aims; so that there needs to be a constant anointing of the eyes to discern the true disciples from the false, and not to be dazzled by appearances. The question now is, not how to gain members to the church, but how to exclude those who seek it for other than spiritual reasons.

Large numbers north of the Yang-tze river have attended the meetings for women held there. Some have doubtless been quickened by the Holy Spirit. But when long lists of names were handed in, they were not entered as "enquirers" until they had attended gospel instruction for several months. One came from a distance "to study the doctrine" and showed great eagerness to learn. But gradually the secret motive was revealed. She was seeking the temporal sovereignty of the church to help her defy a husband whose beatings she was not willing to endure. When she found the missionaries could only offer her salvation through

repentance and faith in Christ, while it remained that in this world, we must suffer tribulation, she went away to wait for a more convenient season. So it is in Central China as it was in Galilee, where the Master worked. Some receive the word gladly; others go away and believe no more on Him. But the precious seed is sown and the final harvest will be glorious.

CHINKIANG. *Girls' School* has fifty girls. The latest reports received cover the eventful days from June, 1900, to the beginning of the present year. The upheaval of the war gave a fine opportunity to weed out unpromising elements, so that while the number is reduced, the quality is raised; a better spirit and higher aims has been the result. Miss Robinson has for a long time been asking for a teacher to come and learn the language and be prepared to take the work when she is compelled to lay it down. Miss White divides her time between Kiukiang, Nanking and Chinkiang, devoting herself to music and translating, for which she is especially fitted.

Chingkiang Medical Work. Dr. Taft and Dr. Hoag report the number of patients gradually increasing, and also the reputation of the work. They believe there is no better work done in quality or quantity in evangelistic preaching than in their little hospital on the hill. Medical work lifts the curtain to a view of physical and mental suffering as nothing else can. It gives illustrations of the wickedness and cruelty of heathenism, and also a glow from the candle of conscience, and examples of generosity; for which the missionary doctor thanks God and takes courage. The number of patients this year has been 5,000. Besides the material benefits, which they all recognize, hundreds of weary souls are taught the story of Christ, which they would never elsewhere hear.

KIUKIANG. Miss Dreibelbies is left very lonely without Miss Merrill, who is on home leave; but she bravely pursues her work and makes good progress in the language. In the Woman's Bible School 30 remained during the year. Six gave their hearts to God and joined the church. All did good work and listened eagerly to the instruction. Some who entered last autumn without knowing a single character can now read anywhere in the New Testament. Considering the average of conversions among those trained from childhood in our own Christian land, there surely is no cause to think the progress slow among those people whose heathen thought and customs have been handed down to them for centuries. One of these women feared she had offended her god by eating meat at the school, and therefore her right hand and arm were lame, and she thought she must go home to worship and get the god's good graces again. But the faithful witnessing for her Lord by another woman

in the school brought her to a change of heart and mind, and her hand and arm, too, got well.

The Girls Boarding School has fifty pupils. One is the daughter of a prominent official at Nanchung. As all the girls take part in household work, sweeping, dusting, etc., she also has performed these tasks cheerfully and faithfully, and has won the respect of all. She manifests a desire to learn the truth, and has unbound her feet. The new rule, requiring all pupils to pay something toward school expenses is successful beyond expectation.

Evangelistic Work.—Three bible-women are employed, holding meetings and visiting in the homes. Hundreds of women attend the meetings. It would be difficult to reach these women in their scattered homes, but our Father has laid his hand upon them in the great Yangtze flood, and sent them, as refugees, to our door.

Kiu Kiang Medical Work.—Cholera has been raging, and many patients have been sent away from the crowded hospital. Drs. Ida Kahn and Mary Stone have found all their hands and hearts could hold to do. The floods sent to them so many helplessly sick, that had not the promise of God to supply all their need been fully trusted, they would have despaired. But the treasury has kept up, like the widow's meal, always just enough for the time being. Beds have to be made up on the floor for extra patients, and the plea is urgent for a new wing to the hospital so that more women may be reached. So many come suffering fearfully in mind and body, and often on the verge of desperate suicide. They gladly welcome the hope of a better future.

Dispensary visits	12,916	
Visits to patients' homes	508	
Hospital patients	150	
Total number treated	13,574	
Total number prescriptions	14,729	
Money rec'd on the field from subscriptions		$1,032 20
Donation from Flint		104 58
Fees from patients		1,496 68
Total		$2,633 46

NANKING.—The school is growing rapidly, and getting beyond present quarters. They must enlarge, and must buy land at once. Miss Shaw says the trial of parting from her home in America was partially banished by the welcome of the native Christians, and her faith was strengthened by their testimony to the keeping power of God through the trials of the year. The demand for the education of girls is rapidly

growing in China. We must equip our schools to prepare native teachers to meet that demand.

It is cause for thanksgiving that Mrs. Chi, (a bible-woman,) has been spared to the work. During the troubles her people wished to sell her, but God opened the way for her escape and her deliverance has strengthened her faith. She testifies to the definite filling of the Holy Spirit and is used in leading souls to Christ. There are many other instances of a quickened faith since the tests of 1900. One is appalled to think of the regions yet unreached, but each year enlarges the circle of those who hear, and each year the Lord adds to the number of the truly saved.

NAN CHANG.—Miss Ogborn expects to have the school building done next spring. She will open work at the end of next summer, and asks for scholarships for the four months remaining in the year 1903.

WUHU.—There were countless villages across the Yangsti river with no one to give them the bread of life. God suffered them to hunger for material bread through the destructive floods, so that over 5,000 homeless people camped on the hills, where they were helped to get food for their bodies and at the same time to hear of the living Bread from Heaven. An average of 1,600 meals per day were given out. It is impossible to tell the story of this wonderful experience and of Miss Mitchell's indefatigable, earnest, prayerful, loving work among the high caste ladies of the city. There is absolute necessity for a helper for Miss Mitchell; every station in Central China is in dire need of additional strength in working force. Every letter implores us to send them help that the Gospel may enter the wide open doors.

MRS. H. B. SKIDMORE.

WEST CHINA.

Woman's Work Commenced 1882.
Discontinued 1885.
Re-opened 1894.

MISSIONARIES.

	Chung King.	*Chentu.*
HELEN GALLOWAY,	H. MIRIAM DECKER,	CLARA COLLIER.
ELLA MANNING,	CHRISTINE WILLIAMS,	
	AGNES EDMONDS, M. D.	

Several times during the past year we have had special occasions for anxiety, not to say alarm, concerning the condition of our affairs in

West China. First came the news of serious illness among our missionaries, scarcely one of whom escaped. They have all been restored to health and are now able to attend to their duties, for which result we are devoutly grateful to Almighty God.

We were next disturbed by the report of the tragedy at Tien-Sen-Chiao, where seven of our native Christians were cruelly killed by the Boxers.

And recently the secular papers reported that Chentu had been surrounded by the Boxers, and that our little band of workers who are located there, was in imminent danger. Up to this date, that report has not been confirmed, and consequently it may be hoped that it was incorrect. It is difficult to dismiss all concern about the Chentu situation, but each passing day which brings no news concerning it, gives us additional assurance that all is safe.

In the meantime, the Lord has wrought wonderfully among the people, and great numbers of the Chinese are inquiring as to the plan of salvation as it is taught in the Gospels. Mr. Lewis has written at length concerning this movement. I quote from him as follows :

"The converts come from all classes of the city. The believers range through all social ranks, from officials and wealthy citizens to the lowest coolie. A hopeful feature in the work is the fact that about nine-tenths of the converts are able to read. The new work, too, is to a large extent self-supporting. Although a score of new preaching places have been opened, the society has not been required to contribute anything for the purchase of property, for rent, or for furniture. All these things have been provided by the converts themselves. As preachers cannot be furnished for every place, the converts meet together, and the one among them who is most competent is their leader. It is wonderful what advancement is often made under such unfavorable conditions. Some of these converts, when they meet thus for the first time, have already committed the entire catecism to memory, and have acquired some intelligent ideas as to Christian truth and doctrine."

While these conditions were so favorable so far as they related to the men, the women were not being reached. Early in the spring, Miss Galloway went on an itinerating trip in the Pisan district. In her report she says :

"This district embraces a territory one hundred and fifty by one hundred and forty English miles, and includes four large cities, and many small towns ; in all of these cities and in sixteen of the villages the general missionary board of our church has work established; the natives themselves having rented and fitted up buildings, making them more or less suitable for meeting places. In each of these twenty places, a Chin-

ese Christian has been placed in charge of work, and to the best of his ability he leads and teaches the flock who meet each day for morning and evening prayers, and on the Sabbath for the regular church services. A foolish Chinese custom makes it improper for men and women to assemble together (a custom which we try to teach them need not be observed when they become Christians), the result of which custom is that the women in these out-stations are wholly untaught, no work whatever being done among them. Rev. Spencer Lewis, superintendent of our mission, desiring, if possible, to obviate this difficulty, conceived the plan of appointing a Woman's Foreign Missionary Society worker to visit these stations at regular intervals, accompanied by a native bible-woman; the entire time of said workers was to be given to this sadly neglected class of out-station people. Previous to our arrival in Chung King, Miss Manning, with a bible-woman, had made a two-weeks' trip in the district, visiting a number of the stations. Since our appointment in January of the present year, we have spent two months on the road, visiting those who manifested a desire to identify themselves with Christians. Our plan is to remain several days in the larger places, conducting schools for the women and holding evangelistic services for them, the morning being given to those who desire to learn to read, or to become familiar with the doctrine contained in the catechisms which have been translated for our people; then in the afternoons we meet and talk to them collectively. In the last city visited we had at each of these afternoon meetings from one hundred to two hundred and seventy-five women, who sat quietly and listened very attentively to the old, yet ever new and attractive story of Jesus and His love. Possibly many are entertained, rather than instructed. Yet we hope that some among them will believe and be saved. Since March first, we have thus met and given the Gospel message to about two thousand and five hundred women. Of this number, not more than twenty have we found who were able to read in their own language, and not more than five who could read with any degree of fluency. To reach this number we have traveled about one thousand miles, the mode of travel being mostly by sedan chair, sometimes by small boats, with the privilege of walking by way of recreation occasionally.

"This work is one of faith. Rarely are we stimulated by the knowledge of definite conversions, such as we often see at home. These people seem to come gradually to a knowledge of truth, and their Christian experience is a growth, rather than an instantaneous change. 'We sow beside all waters,' broad-casting the seed, leaving the growth of the grain and the harvest to be controlled by Him whose the vineyard is. Chinese women are much slower to respond to teaching than men. One's

patience is often tried to the utmost waiting for them to comprehend the simplest truth. This is the result of their having been for centuries considered nothing more than the servants of man, and being constantly reminded that they are not capable of thinking or reasoning. They are often questioned after a half hour's instruction and almost invariably express surprise that they should be expected to remember anything they had heard, often saying: 'I, why I have no memory; my husband or my son believes the Jesus doctrine, but I could never learn it.' Occasionally a brighter one may remember that she was told that there is but one true God, and He the creator of all things, or that Jesus (a name familiar to almost all Chinese now, even in the remotest districts) is the Son of God and the Saviour of the world. Our last trip, from which we have just returned, extended over two weeks, six days of that time being spent in a city which, three years ago, would not permit anyone professing to be a follower of Jesus to reside in it. At that time a riot occurred, when all native Christians were driven out and their property confiscated or destroyed. Now we are welcomed, and men and women are privileged to worship God according to the dictates of conscience. Here we were met every day by hundreds of women, many coming through curiosity to see the foreign woman, who was the first one to remain within their city gates any length of time. From this city of Ho-Cheo we went by special invitation to the home of a well-to-do farmer, who had become a Christian about three years ago. To reach this place we were carried by our faithful, sure-footed chairman over the most dangerous mountain roads I have ever traveled, and through a drenching rain for a distance of seventy 'li', or about thirty English miles. On reaching the home it became very evident that we had been invited under protest, for there was no welcome for us save from the Christian man, who had invited us in the hope that his family might be won to Christianity. He had endured much persecution from them, at one time being driven from his home. Under all this trial he had not faltered. The members of his household came gradually to treat us more kindly, and we remembered no more the toil of travel in the consciousness that hearts were melting under the fire of divine love, and had that road been a thousand times as long and dangerous, we should have felt amply rewarded. Our visit resulted in the conversion of four members of that family— the mother of the Christian, his wife, sister-in-law and her son, a young man of 20; all of whom gave very clear testimonies to their belief in Christ as the Son of God and the Saviour of the world, and to a personal consciousness of sins forgiven. The old father still holds out bitterly, one moment stubbornly asserting that Christ was an impostor and that Confucius was his superior; the next proclaiming his own good works, for which he expected future reward.

We are greatly in need of funds to carry on the greatly needed ne of work of itinerating in the out-stations. Will you not help s to make more frequent visits to these places? It means the gift of a ew dollars, which some of you can easily spare. Give them, and thank God for making your part of the labor of evangelizing the world such an asy task; but thank Him more for the opportunity of doing something r the salvation and present happiness of men and women who have een so unfortunate as to have been born in a heathen land.

Of the woman's schools Miss Manning writes: "The woman's school as been as well attended as could reasonably have been expected. Some tudents came for a few days only and never returned. Others came to ee the foreigners. Their curiosity gratified, they went away. Others, hen they discovered that they were to study and not play, ceased to ome. A few, however, have been regular in attendance and have made atisfactory progress, being now able to begin a systematic study of the ible. It is not easy for these poor women to grasp the truth which the issionaries endeavor to teach; they have never been taught anything and has never been expected that they could learn. One poor old woman me into one of the schools one afternoon with a smile on her face. The issionary said: 'Well, auntie, how about the lesson to-day?' 'Oh,' she id; 'it's much better. My old man only whipped me once to-day, and did not have to cry so much, so I could see to study.' Many of these omen have literally cried their eyes out, and are sightless because of the -treatment of their husbands."

Mrs. Lewis has had a Sabbath afternoon class for the women in the urch, with an average attendance of forty-five. One of the urgent mands of this province is trained bible-women, who can instruct the omen. At this time there are but three at Chung-King; one of these aches in the boarding school a part of each week and spends the mainder of the time in the dispensary with the women who come there r treatment, leaving but two others for the work so greatly needed verywhere.

The boarding school in charge of Miss Decker has some choice girls ho are as bright as they look, and who are always happy, no matter hatever work, study or play engages their attention.

The course of study as now arranged covers a period of two years, nd includes systematic study of the Bible, church history, other religious ooks, general history and Chinese classics. Besides the regular school ork, the older girls have daily work in caring for the home, making heir shoes, stockings and hats. The aim is not only to give them a nowledge of books, but also such training as will make them practical, seful helpers, whatever place they may fill when their school work is

completed. But above all else the desire is that they may have a personal knowledge of salvation through Jesus Christ, and have their hearts so filled by the Holy Spirit that they may prove a great blessing to their sisters who are in the darkness of heathenism.

The William E. Gamble hospital for women and children is now completed. We are greatly indebted to Dr. Hall, who has given much time to the supervision of it. His description of the building and the work involved in its erection cannot but be of interest.

"My time for the most part is being given to hospital building. The William Gamble Memorial Hospital for Women and Children is now completed. It consists of three buildings; the central structure is of brick and stone, two story with dormer roof, and accommodates eighty beds. It consists of five large wards, two small wards, seven private rooms, a private room for foreigners, office, reception, operating, sterilizing and bath rooms. There are three separate verandas opening off from each floor. A brick building in the rear contains kitchen, laundry, morgue and servants' rooms, and opens back on to the city wall. In front, a dispensary consists of four rooms. Gateman's rooms, a guest hall and a chair house are conveniently arranged about the gateway, in a brick building with verandah facing the hospital. The grounds of the hospital are small and would cause one to feel very much shut in if it were not for the broad view over the city and away to the mountains across the Yangtze from the front porches, and off upon the winding course of the Ja-li river 300 feet below the city from the rear porches. The building faces southwest, so the sun shines on all sides of the building some time during the day, and at least two porches afford shade at any time.

"A few facts concerning the difficulties to be overcome in building work here may be interesting. Chungking is situated on an uneven, rocky eminence 300 feet above the two rivers that nearly surround the city. Stone walls enclosing the city follow an irregular course about the margins of the cliffs, and are pierced by nine gateways of massive masonry. Within the city is a sea of roofs of about five square miles area. The buildings are chiefly of wood with tile roofs and heavy enclosures of brick, stone and dirt. The *debris* of the decayed houses of centuries covers the rock once bare. As you look out on this scene you first must ask, 'How did all this material get here?' Not only these buildings of the present and past, but all the food and even all the water used by their occupants during these centuries, has been carried up from the riverside on the backs of men. There is not the simplest form of labor-saving machinery in use; even the lever and wheel are never used to save labor; continuous rotary motion is practically unknown. There has never been any steam or electric power applied to mechanics, and even the use of the

horse or ox is very rare. This may be well understood when the price of human labor is known. The average mechanic receives less than ten gold cents a day and boards himself. The day laborer gets but six cents; his food consisting of three meals of cooked rice a day with one variety of green vegetables, and an addition of one-half pound of pork once in two weeks, costs four cents a day. Considering the difficulties of poor tools and rough material, the labor of ten men aggregates the finished product of one day's work at home, yet each man needs more oversight than at home. Building is usually let by contract piece work, and often a contractor is unable to measure or estimate the total value of his labor. All lumber must be bought green in the log and sawed and cured on the ground. To illustrate the extreme of patience exercised in labor, I have seen a boy seven years old carrying one brick at a time up from the river side, 700 steps for one-twentieth of a cent. He would therefore climb 17,500 steps with his burden and return for one cent. A woman with bound feet, bowed with age, said to be over 70 years old, carried a burden of 45 pounds of sand up these steps for one-fourth of a cent, repeating the trip until dark to earn her food, thus needing to climb over 10,000 steps and return for one day's provisions."

While Dr. Edmunds and Miss Williams have been studying the language, and the general board hospital was being rebuilt, the hospital has been occupied by Doctors McCartney and Hall. But with the opening of the new year our own physicians will doubtless take up their work. These two hospitals will give to Chung King a medical plant second to none in China, with a total capacity of over two hundred beds. Mrs. McCartney has cared for the women and many of them have been cured of diseases in both body and soul. Every Sunday she has held a service in the large porch, and the eager faces of her audience, indicate a real longing to know more of Christ and His power to save.

Miss Curnow is conducting a day school in Sui Ling, most successfully. Of it she says: "Two mothers here sent their daughters to school, not so much to study, but as the mothers say, "we want our girls to learn obedience as you teach it. Then they will be good and obedient children, and we can rest our hearts about them for the future". The bible-woman at work in Sui Ling, was a student in the training school at Nanking. In five and one-half months, four thousand, three hundred and sixty-seven women attended her meetings. Once a year thousands of pilgrims come to Sui Ling to visit at the shrine of a famous goddess. This year it is said that the people did not take the usual interest in this festival 'because they are hearing so much of the Jesus doctrine.'"

Miss Collier sends the following report from Chentu:

"Last year we failed to report the work at Chentu because we were not at that time allowed to return to the station. As soon as permission was granted for women to travel in the interior, I left Chung King in company with Mr. Lewis, to make the trip to the capital, a distance of three hundred miles, by the land route. Thus we were able to visit all the out-stations and had opportunity to preach the Gospel to large numbers of women. Many of them, of course, came out of curiosity to see the foreign woman, but many stayed to listen to our message. At one large town where we stopped for the night, I was greatly disappointed that only one woman came to the inn. She was from a village twenty miles away, and said that she wanted to hear all that I could tell her in the evening, that she might tell the people at home. We have since heard that several in that place have become interested in the Gospel because of what they heard from her. At Tien-Ku-Chioa, the scene of the horrible massacre in June, the people came for miles around and filled the little chapel to overflowing. A widow and her two sons walked a hundred miles to attend the services. At all these places where the general board has opened work, men are coming into the church by hundreds, but there are very few women. Why is this? They are constantly visiting these stations and holding meetings for the men, but until Miss Galloway returned this year, we have had no one to do this work among the women. We are by no means keeping pace with the other society in West China. Miss Galloway will probably be able to make trips as far as Tsi Tseo, but the territory from that city to Chentu is still without a worker. During the trip of twenty-one days, we saw much to encourage us. After having been away for fourteen months, it was with joy and thanksgiving that I returned to our people at Chentu. Nearly all of the old members had remained faithful and a few new names had been added. We divided them into classes for Bible teaching and organized daily classes for teaching them to read.

A day school was opened at the gate, which is taught by the bible-woman from eight until one o'clock. Her afternoons are spent in house to house visitation. Ten girls were received into the boarding school at the beginning of the year. Four of the girls came from Tien-ku-Chiao. In all probability they would have been murdered had they not been with us. The father, mother, and brother of one of them, were burned in their home. One was married a short time ago to Dr. Canright's medical assistant, and thus the light of the Gospel radiates from another Christian home. Another, after having been with us for five months, sickened and died. It was wonderful how she developed during that short time. I wish the friends at home, who sacrifice for these children, could have the privilege of seeing what a clean home, good food and teaching can do for them.

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Mrs. Scofield, who a few months ago went to her reward, gave money for a school building. A site has been secured on the opposite side of the street from the compound of the general board and we hope to build during the coming year. We need women to work in Chentu and the surrounding district. We have but one representative in a city of a million inhabitants. I trust that some of the other branches will see their way clear to help to send the Gospel to this great field."

Another missionary and a convenient building are greatly needed in Chentu. From a bequest of Mrs. Elizabeth Scofield, of Illinois, we have already received one thousand dollars for this purpose and an additional one thousand dollars will be available from the same source when the estate is distributed. Mrs. Cady, while at home, also received pledges of about five hundred dollars, and the New England Branch has contributed five hundred dollars. Thus three thousand dollars is secured. But to purchase the land and erect a suitable building, will require about five thousand dollars, as both real estate and building materials in every part of China have greatly increased in price.

With this great awakening among the people, there will come the desire for the education of their daughters, and we ought to be prepared to meet the demands of the situation.

"China never can be better than her mothers, and to uplift them is to help to bring to birth a new nation in which God's Kingdom shall be established."

MRS. F. P. CRANDON, *Official Correspondent.*

JAPAN.

Woman's Work Commenced 1874.
Organized as a Conference 1884.

CENTRAL JAPAN.

MISSIONARIES.

Tokyo.
MISS M. A. SPENCER,
MISS H. S. ALLING,
MISS N. M. DANIEL,
MISS E. A. BENDER,
MISS ELLA BLACKSTOCK.

Yakohoma
MRS. C. VAN PETTEN,
MISS A. G. LEWIS,
MISS G. BAUCUS,
MISS A. B. SLATE,
MISS GEORGIA WEAVER.

Nagoya.
MISS R. J. WATSON,
MISS A. P. ATKINSON,
MISS E. HOLBROOK.

Sendai.
MISS C. A. HEATON,
MISS E. PHELPS.

Those interested in the spread of Christ's kingdom have given thanks and rejoiced over the wonderful revival of the Christian religion

which last year accompanied the labors of Mr. John R. Mott in Japan. It is even more blessed to know that the work of the Holy Spirit did not cease in that country when he left, but has been going on, spreading from town to town, and through districts north and south, led and promoted by numbers of native Christians, as well as some foreigners. They found that good seed had been sown by prayer and holy living in soil prepared by the Spirit, that was ready to blossom and bear fruit, some thirty, some sixty, and some a hundred fold. In inland villages, far away from central travel and traffic, our bible-women find hungry souls eager for the truth, having heard a rumor, or caught a glimpse of a better way, are ready to listen to and believe the wondrous story.

All our schools have shared in the enriching streams flowing from the river of God.

In Tokyo, they offer in their report special thanksgiving for five day pupils and a number of boarders, and one teacher who became Christians; for the decision of four pupils to become bible-women, and for many wonderful answers to prayer. The Aoyama Jo Guakin, our largest and most important school in Central Japan, is raising its standard of study, closing the primary department, and opening a post graduate class for these young women, for those who desire a teacher government license. The graduates go into the Bible Training School, become teachers in our own institutions, Christian wives, and everywhere are a savor of life unto life in their environments. The school has had a larger attendance this year, and needs the completion of the series of buildings planned some years, but as yet only partially completed.

The work of the Harrison Industrial School was highly praised at the annual exhibition of the Ladies' Fine Art Society in Tokyo, and received a silver medal, one of the two highest prizes given at the exhibition. Each year the standard of Christian living grows higher among the pupils, and several of them have found the blessedness of helping others, and find time to do some work among the neglected children. Here, also, the quarters have become too straight for the increasing occupants, and additional rooms are asked for.

In the Thanksgiving paragraph for Yokohoma, thanks for a growing desire manifested by Japanese Christians for the salvation of souls, resulted in a gracious revival. What a beautiful condition for the Bible Woman's Training School to be in. Another sentence reads: "Thanks for half the pupils and three teachers becoming Christians in the Blind School." Miss Clarissa Spencer, receiving word of the necessity of her return home, in consequence of the death of her father, left Yokohoma only two days before Mrs. Van Petten's arrival, who immediately resumed charge of the school. The Christmas celebration was one of

giving as well as receiving, and from the plan of each one bringing something for a poorer one, help was given to fifty sufferers from hunger and cold. Sixty-two bible-women have completed the regular course and gone into Christian work from the Higgins Memorial Bible Training School.

The special Thanksgiving in the day school department is for the securing of land for the new school, the Maud Simons Memorial. From these small, and sometimes criticised day schools, have come blessed fruit to the glory of God. Several teachers have been converted while teaching in them, and others standing high in the community, trace the beginnings of their Christian life to the Bible lessons learned in them. In one of these schools, a new feature has been well carried out by the principal. A saving system has been introduced, which has proved of great value to the children and their parents. A rin (1-20 of a cent) is frequently given to the children to spend in sweets, possibly to make up for the scantiness of food at home. The children are encouraged to save these, a faithful account is kept, and at the New Year some were enabled to get portions of their new outfit, others paid for their first ride in a train, and visited Tokyo. So the first lessons in thrift, as well as a better and truer life, are taught. The children's meetings in these schools, that accompanied the revival, were full of interest and instruction.

The Thanksgiving song of Nagoya had for its key note the payment of the debt on the school building, so long a burdensome and disheartening experience to the teachers. Yet the work went on with patience, faith and cheerfulness. Fifty-four pupils have been in attendance, and the regular teachers are all Christians. This is a light shining in a dark place, and at this source many a little lamp is lighted and set up as a testimony in the midst of heathen bigotry and superstition. Miss Bender remained at the head of the institution till all financial obligations were cancelled, and then, through the appointment of the bishop, followed God's call as principal of the Aoyama school, on which she enters this season. Five bible-women have been visiting and teaching under Miss Atkinson's care, who has also had charge of the English and physical culture classes in the schools.

Sendai gives thanks that every girl in the school is a Christian, seven having been baptized during the year. Miss Phelps has felt much encouragement in the growth and character of the school. Here, also, the good effects of the evangelistic movement was felt, and many inquired the way to Christ. A prominent feature of this school is its industrial classes, which add to its income and helpfulness to the pupils, most of whom must become self-supporting. Three bible-women are working in the district under the care of Miss Heaton, who has recently returned to

Japan after an absence of three years. The mothers' meetings are chiefly under the supervision of our married missionaries. They are very useful and much needed. Pure and Christian homes are not only the outcome, but the safeguards of a Christian nation. Japanese mothers need much instruction in bringing up their children, and many are very grateful for the help given. Schools for the blind, also, are carried on in several places. All these good works need more workers, and more financial aid. May we remember what our Master said: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these *My* brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

S. L. KEEN, *Official Correspondent.*

NORTHERN JAPAN.

Woman's Work Commenced in Hakodate 1870.
In Hirosaki 1877; In Sapporo 1900.

MISSIONARIES.

Hakodate.

AUGUSTA DICKERSON, MINNIE S. HAMPTON, FLORENCE E. SINGER.

Hirosaki.

ELLA HEWETT, ADA SOUTHARD, MARY B. GRIFFITHS.

Sapporo.

*ANNA V. BING, LOUISA IMHOF.

*Home on leave.

In Northern Japan are three stations occupied by missionaries of our society, and, strangely, at the present time a common need—that of new buildings—rests upon all. Our missionaries in this region are skilled workers among the Japanese, most of them having had years of experience on this field. The work has steadily advanced under their wise management, while they have been enabled to train helpers for themselves and for others and thus to conserve large interests.

The Caroline Wright Memorial School, of Hakodate, pioneer in the north, has grown to such proportions that the efforts which have been made year by year to remodel an old building so as to accommodate the increasing number of pupils must cease for lack of ground space. Additional land and buildings are imperatively needed. Miss Hampton writes that 132 pupils are crowded into one school room intended for

ighty. She says, "Last year for the first time several of the graduates om the Hakodate government school came to us. They were opposed y all the teachers, and their friends boycotted them, but they remained nd love our school and are much interested in the Bible study. Now thers are applying but we have to refuse all applicants for lack of room, nd it is hard to turn away any who are willing to come under the ıfluence of Christian teaching."

The number of pupils enrolled is 208, including the kindergarten of ırty-seven. Among the boarding pupils all the older girls are Christians nd some are earnest leaders in Christian duties. Many little meetings are eld among themselves. One thoughtful student holds a daily prayer ıeeting for the younger girls. At the request of the day pupils, in ddition to the daily morning prayers and Bible classes, a special half our of Bible study has been held for them after the noon recess.

Miss Singer reports progress in her department of music. She says, More and more we realize the important place that music occupies in ur work. Almost the first question asked regarding the qualifications f a Bible reader, teacher, or helper for outside work is, 'Can she play the rgan or teach the people to sing?' "

Miss Singer would be greatly aided by gifts of good music, or books n music, lives of composers, histories of music and magazines which ould be helpful and inspiring.

During Miss Dickerson's furlough in the home land, Miss Hewett as been released from Hirosaki to assist in this school.

The bible-women under Miss Hampton have continued faithful and bundant in labors. During the summer holidays a union effort was ıade in the Forward Movement. The women of the three churches met ır prayer and then went, two or three in company, to different sections f the town, calling at every house on the street. Tracts were distributed nd invitations for the open-air evening meetings. This work was connued for five weeks, a larger number of tracts being given out and calls ıade than in any previous effort. Miss Hampton rejoices that the prejuice which is so hard to overcome in the evangelistic work for the women f to-day, will be successfully met by the girls who will soon become the omen of Japan.

HIROSAKI.—Miss Southard, who in the absence of Miss Hewett ı Hakodate, has had charge of the Hirosaki Girls' School, including the indergarten, writes, "We are enjoying our new school building very ıuch, and I am sure if our friends who came to our aid financially could ee how much more comfortable it is than the old building they would ejoice with us."

But our joy in the increased school accommodations of that station is

marred by the fact that our representatives there are not comfortably and conveniently housed. The building which is so generously furnished by the Japanese for a Home is now old and unsuited to a rigorous winter climate, besides being a long distance from the school and the railway station, thus requiring of our missionary teachers and district evangelist too great an expenditure of strength in going to and from their work. Would that this crying need might awaken a practical response from some of God's stewards!

The school enrollment was 200, exclusive of the kindergarten. Mr. Kudo remains the efficient and earnest Christian principal, but not without personal sacrifice. Early in the year he was urgently solicited to accept a position in a school of another denomination in Yokohama, at a salary nearly twice the amount he was receiving. After due consideration of the alluring proposal—one feature of which was an opportunity for study in a literary center—his decision to remain was based upon the general desire as conducing to the best interests of the Hirosaki school.

During the year a band of evangelists visited Hirosaki and found a field well prepared for a goodly harvest. At this time thirty of the girls came to a decision for Christ.

The arrival of Miss Griffiths as Superintendent of Bible-women and District Evangelistic Work was hailed with joy, and this work has been greatly strengthened under her able care. She reports that one delight on her new district has been to find so many of the graduates of our various schools engaged in active service for the Master. The names of fifteen such are mentioned in this connection, and she adds, "Besides all these, there are the girls from Hakodate, who are doing faithful service in our Hirosaki school and Sabbath schools; not to mention some of the graduates of the Hirosaki school itself, who are steadily following Jesus, though holding positions in government schools and elsewhere, where they are surrounded by influences inimical to Christianity. I mention these facts to encourage you who are working to maintain these schools and to train these girls for Christ. They are a power in this land."

SAPPORO.—Miss Imhof and Miss Hewett have carried the work of this northernmost post and the outlying country for the past year, during the continued absence of Miss Bing in America. In her report Miss Imhof tells of a new opening to them. She says, "There is located in Sapporo a large linen factory, in which are employed about 1,700 men, women and children. Women and girls are brought here from all parts of Japan on condition that they remain in the employment of the factory for three years. We had often been told that there existed a great deal of immorality among the employees, and we earnestly longed to tell the girls of pure and holy living. After repeated efforts and prayer to God

that the doors might be opened to Christian teaching, permission was granted. At our first meeting about 120 crowded into the room and listened most attentively while my assistant and I sang and prayed and talked. Our own souls were set on fire, and we thanked God from the very depths of our hearts for such opportunities. After we closed several of the men in authority, who were present during the meeting, invited us to 'Come often, come every night if you can.' We have gone every Saturday and on their three holidays each month. The girls are gaining confidence in us and occasional callers come to our home, revealing their trials and longing to know more of the truth as it is in Christ Jesus."

A Home is needed here, not only to afford a comfortable habitation for our missionaries, free of rent, but also to furnish rooms that may serve as gathering places for the instruction of the women, which are utterly lacking in the present arrangement.

MRS. A. N. FISHER, *Official Correspondent.*

SOUTH JAPAN CONFERENCE.

KIUSHIU.

Woman's Work Commenced in 1879.

MISSIONARIES IN NAGASAKI.

ELIZABETH RUSSELL, MARIANA YOUNG, MARY E. MELTON, LOLA M. KIDWELL.

Kagoshima.

JENNIE M. GHEER, *LIDA B. SMITH.

Fukuoka.

LEONORA M. SEEDS, MABEL K. SEEDS.

*Home on leave.

The twenty-second report from this aggressive little conference, or the woman's part of it (which is the subject of this report), carries with it the same spirit that has marked each year of its history. It is a brave effort to meet the many duties required in a work that keeps on growing in spite of the fact that the number of missionaries does not increase in the same proportion. Three at least of the little band should be taking their health-leave and are risking a permanent breakdown by remaining

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MEXICO.

Woman's Work Commenced 1874.

MISSIONARIES.

HARRIET L. AYERS, *Mexico City*,
IDA BOHANNON, *Pachuca*,
LUCY BUMGARDNER, *Orizaba*,
ALICE W. KURTZ, *Mexico City*.
ANNA R. LIMBERGER, *Puebla*,
CAROLINE M. PURDY, *Puebla*,
EFFIE M. DUNMORE, *Guanajuato*,
M. ALICE MOORE, *Guanajuato*,

The death of Miss Lloyd in May, after seventeen years of devoted consecrated work in Mexico, seemed almost an irreparable loss to the girls in Mexico City. The faculty, however, redoubled their zeal; everyone took hold with firmer grasp, determined that no backward steps should be taken. Her mantle seemed to have fallen upon all those who worked so harmoniously with her. Miss Ayers added the treasurer's department to her duties as school superintendent, relinquishing a long-cherished purpose of entering upon more strictly evangelistic work. New native professors have been employed, and the school has taken a step in advance and established a thorough normal department. It is proposed to center all the normal work in our girls' school in Mexico, in Mexico City and Puebla, making the other boarding schools preparatory to these. A normal graduate is asked for Mexico City, that as far as possible Christian instructors may have charge of the girls in this formative period of their lives. One of the best professors from the Government Normal School is temporarily employed. He meets the teachers of different departments once a week in a conference on methods and practical pedagogics.

Our new representative, Miss Kurtz, has supervision of the classes in mathematics and the musical department, giving lessons on the piano and organ, and in voice culture. A kindergarten is maintained, in charge of Miss Butler, and a primary class in English is formed for very young pupils whose parents desire this course for their children.

The school in Puebla continues to advance in every department, and its receipts in self-support last year were $2,982. This is proof of its popularity and efficiency. An exclusive English department has been commenced under the care of Miss Bumgardner, formerly of Orizaba, and its increase is very gratifying, as it pays its entire additional outlay. The drawing teacher, who likewise was no additional expense to the

school, was obliged to return home after severe illness, but hopes to take up the work again in a few months. A consecrated, trained normal kindergarten teacher is much needed in Puebla, as is also an addition to the dormitories to accommodate the many who wish to enter the school.

It may be asked, Why lay so much stress upon normal work, when the government is opening these schools in many districts of the republic? Our church enters this field that it may fulfill its purpose of evangelization. The State Normal Schools are agnostic, materialistic or atheistic in their tendency. The spread of Christ's kingdom depends upon the training of youth under Christian influences; for only in this way can any country fulfill God's mission for it in the world's history. So we seek to base all instruction upon the use and understanding of the Bible. It is said that during the years the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has been in Mexico none of the graduates have left its schools without giving evidence of true conversion.

In the twenty-six years of the existence of the girls' schools in Pachuca, 3,000 girls have come under the influence of its Christian teachers. At the beginning of 1900 Miss Bohannon became principal and the school has continued to increase, and its utmost holding capacity is reached. As at Puebla, an exclusively English department has been successfully prosecuted, and is self-supporting. This was opened two years ago and now numbers 50 scholars.

The fourth girls' boarding school in Mexico is at Guanajuata, and hopes to advance more rapidly when the new school building is completed. The very unsanitary localities which this school has been compelled to occupy in rented houses have interfered with its highest efficiency. The new building is being pushed on vigorously, and by the first of the coming year it is expected the new quarters will be ready for occupancy.

Miss Foster, the new teacher at Orizaba, is reported as proving an admirable worker. The school having been closed for three months, for want of a teacher, is naturally hindered in its progress, but is now growing again. Miss Sanchez, a graduate of our school in Mexico City, has charge of the Mexican department, and is a devoted Christian and a competent teacher.

In most of the day schools a good work of grace has been very evident during the past year. Fifteen hundred and five girls have matriculated in all of the schools under our care, all the teachers are members of the church, and fifty-one pupils have been received into the church during the year.

MOUNTAIN DISTRICT. The presiding elder writes: The work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in the Mountain District

includes the schools in Apizaco, Tetela and Tlaxcala. These schools constitute in each of the places where they are located, the strongest support of our Christian propaganda, not only because we draw our church members from them, but also because owing to their wholesome influence upon the people we have conquered many rebellious hearts for the kingdom of Christ, and have turned into friends many others who have been bitter enemies of the Protestants."

APIZACO. This school is superior to any other in the town, either official or Catholic, for its more excellent methods of teaching and strictly Christian morals. The girls of the best class of people attend this school, although its doors are widely opened for all classes. The examination at the end of every scholastic year is always something new and full of interest. The Jefe Político, the town mayor, and many other distinguished persons come to witness the annual examination, and all of them help in some way to make of the closing exercises a delightful affair. From this school some of the most advanced pupils have gone out to take normal courses in our own schools, and others remain and join our church. Self-support has been duly attended to by the principal of the school, Miss Rodríguez. The attendance varies a great deal on account of the occasional suspension of the glass factories in the place; but despite this, the school accomplishes a transcendental and beneficial work.

TETELA. Our school in Tetela is divided in two departments—kindergarten and primary. Miss Emilia Magos is in charge of the kindergarten, and her sister Natalia presides over the primary department. Tetela is a very poor place, its life depending entirely upon a few silver mines, at present giving very scant profits. This circumstance does not allow us to accomplish much along the line of self-support. Notwithstanding this, the pupils contribute a small weekly sum which the teachers place in the charity fund of the Epworth League, connected with the school.

As to the moralizing work of the school, it is as efficient as that of any other of our schools. As an illustration of the appreciation of the people for this school, I will mention a recent incident. The official vigilance committee seemed to try to antagonize our school work. In view of this I went to see the Jefe Político, and asked him to tell me frankly whether he considered our school was not accomplishing any good for the community, in which case we would better close it and not waste any more money in its support. But that gentleman answered me that, on the contrary, although there were several public schools in the town, he and a great majority of the citizens wished that the school supported by the ladies' society should continue, because the benefits

received by the children who have already been educated there and by those at present being educated, were plain to all.

As our self-support is small, as I have already said, and we have no other income than the help furnished us by the society, we have not been able to improve the school furniture, nor to make some very urgent repairs in the class-rooms. Ever since the Misses Hewett, Dunmore and Vandorsten, who will ever live in the memory of the people, were in charge of this school, no benches or desks have been bought, and the old ones are in a dilapidated condition. We have neither been able to buy school supplies nor to replace our old collection of wall charts, on account of their being rather expensive. We earnestly hope that the noble society by whose generosity this school is supported, may see its way to render us a special help for this purpose. Our school in Tetela would do more efficient work and gain a great deal with the people if we could meet our present needs.

TLAXCALA. The small school we established in Panotla was, with the consent of the society, moved to Tlaxcala, capital of the state of Tlaxcala, one mile from Panotla. The reasons for this change of place were: Firstly, that Tlaxcala is more centrally located with respect to several other smaller towns—Panotla included—where there are friends and brethren who promised to send their children to our school if we made the change—a promise they have kept. Secondly, that the few friends we have in the city of Tlaxcala begged us to open a school in that stronghold of Catholic fanaticism, for they were not satisfied with the public schools there. And lastly, that Tlaxcala, being the capital of the state, we thought it desirable to have it as the headquarters of our Christian work in that part of the country. By doing so we expected to accomplish the double purpose of making the spirit of our work better known to the people and to be nearer, the government of the state and more easily exact the guaranties and protection for those of our brethren who are persecuted on account of their religious opinions in other parts of the state.

The change has been favorable to us in more than one sense. Although our beginnings were small, for we opened the school with only twenty girls, the enrollment has been continually increasing; the masses are commencing to have confidence in the school; the most fanatical have more respect for Protestants, and the government understands now that our schools are elements of progress wherever they are established. In addition to this, our members have greatly increased their zeal, and the religious services are well attended. All this shows that our Christian work in general in the state has received a new impulse with the moving of the school to the city of Tlaxcala—one of the most fanatical places in

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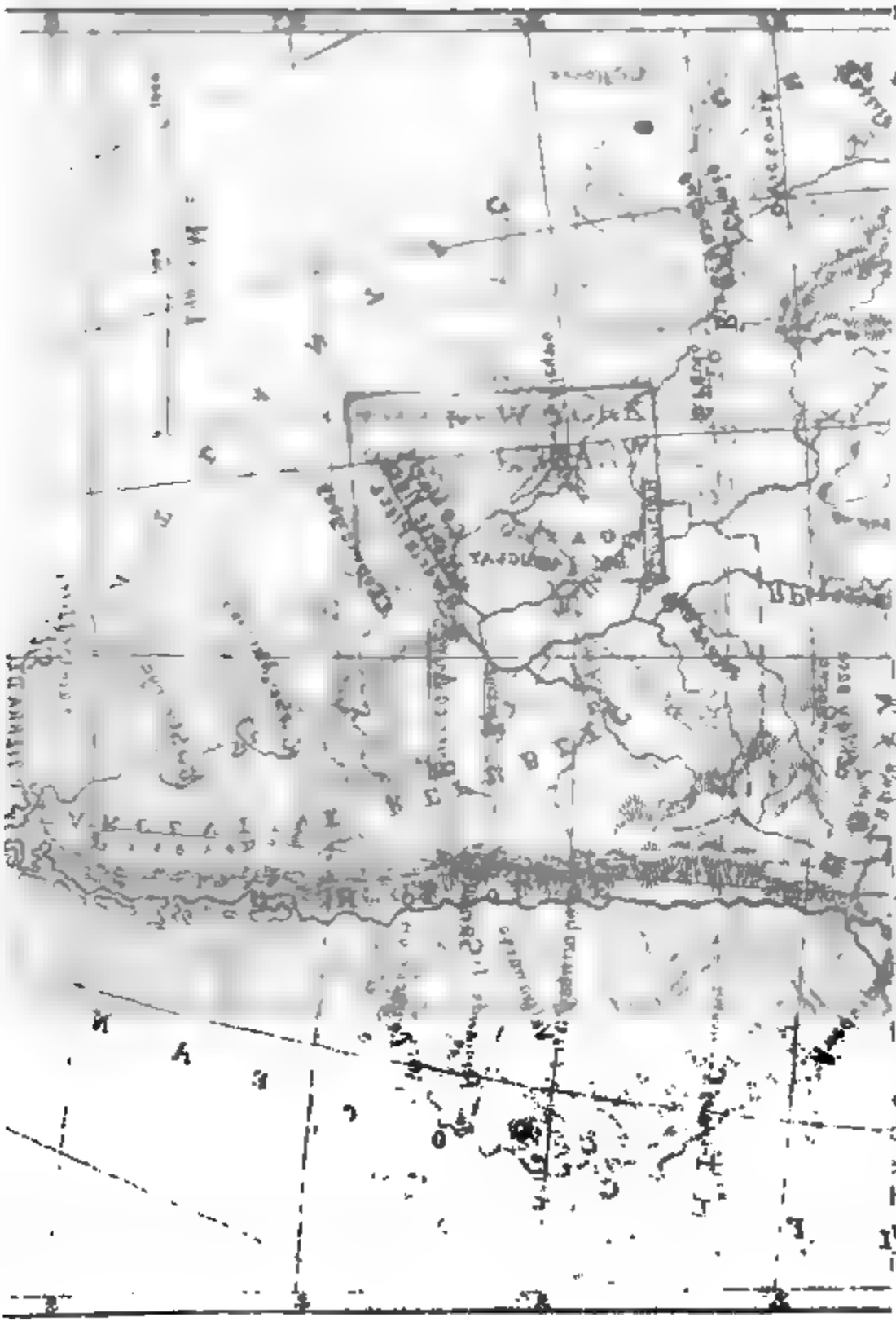

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I think the very hardest problem we had to solve last year at our committee meeting was "What can be done for Rosario?"

We authorized a loan, but were unsuccessful in securing it.

But Miss Swaney succeeded by reducing the number of pupils in the boarding department, making a few changes in some of the rooms, as suggested by the authorities, or rather, as required by them; she was allowed to continue until the close of the school year. This has been a hard year, but she has made no complaint, and seems to be planning for the future of the work with a good degree of faith and courage.

In Montevideo every department of the work is prospering. Firstly, the school is fuller than at any previous time in its history. In the large school room, Miss Hewett writes, they have had to put chairs in the aisles, as every seat was occupied. In the English primary, with seating capacity of thirty-two, they had in the month of March, the first days of the school year, an enrollment of fifty in that room, and more applications coming every day. As long as the weather was fine, we could let them overflow into patio, sitting near the doors so that the teacher could look after them. This is the department where so many native children enter for the English, and where we have a grandchild of the president, and a daughter of the vice-president, and several other children from influential families. When the Bishop was there and saw the crowded condition of the school, he urged that they rent another room, but none could be found in the vicinity. They were having an increase in tuition from the increased attendance, and decided to build a room at once, putting this money into a building instead of into rent. It was arranged for immediately; the room was finished and dedicated the 4th of July and was then half paid for, from the extra tuition of these additional pupils. Miss Hewett writes : I wish you could see the room. It is built in the space formerly occupied by a small flower garden, just beyond my own room, is well ventilated, with good light, is exceedingly plain, but strong and comfortable. They are delighted with this new room, and they certainly know how to appreciate it, for they have been compelled to have two classes reciting in the same room at the same time. Miss Kneeland puts in a strong plea for the hall, which is so much needed. Besides their school work, they are putting in some tenement-house work. They have a bible-reader and go out with her in the work of visiting from house to house, which has resulted in the opening of regular Gospel services on the Sabbath. Not a large number attend, but these poor women and girls seem eager to listen to the reading of the Word.

L. A. ALDERMAN, *Official Correspondent.*

October, 1902.

BULGARIA.

Woman's Work Commenced 1884.
Constituted a Mission Conference 1892.

MISSIONARIES.

Loftcha.

KATE BLACKBURN, DORA DAVIS.

In Secretary Leonard's report at the last meeting of the General Missionary Society, speaking of our Bulgarian enterprise, he said: "The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has a Boarding School for girls at Loftcha, which is not only a credit to the society which sustains it, but is an honor to the whole Methodist Episcopal Church." The property, which consists of the school building and adjoining residences for teachers, is splendidly situated on a height beneath which flows a river which divides the city. Across the street to the west is our beautiful new church and parsonage, the whole constituting a property which is the envy of the Bishop of the Greek Church, whose residence adjoins the school property on one side. It is, nevertheless, the pride of not a few liberal Bulgarians, whose daughters are being educated in the school and who attend divine service in the church.

During the school year, which closed most satisfactorily on June 25th, 1902, the total enrollment of pupils was sixty-five, of this number sixty-two were in attendance throughout the year. Thirty-six were boarding pupils and twenty-six were day pupils. The school is growing in the confidence and approval of the general community. The increase in the number of pupils so taxes the capacity of the dormitories, school rooms and class rooms that additional accommodation is imperatively demanded. It was impossible to receive all the students who applied for admission last year, and those who were last received were only admitted because under the circumstances it seemed impossible to refuse them.

The income of the school ten years ago was about two hundred dollars. Last year the sum total was sixteen hundred dollars, and if it were practicable to care for all the students who want to attend the school, it would soon become nearly, or perhaps entirely self-supporting.

Miss Blackburn seems to have accepted for her motto, one which has

been much at command in Sunday School circles, "Do the best you can with what you have," and the success which has attended her work thoroughly vindicates the sentiment. All the facilities at command for carrying on her work are utilized to the utmost. Her economies are surprising, and although the price of many staple articles is as high as it is in this country, she succeeds in paying all expenses and incurs no debts. One can only admire and praise the efficient administration which prevails in every department.

In the matter of discipline and scholarly attainment, the heretofore high character of the institution has been fully maintained. Thoroughness of instruction is never sacrificed to considerations of expediency and the students who graduate from the school fully earn and deserve the distinction which they receive.

The religious interest which pervades the whole organization is gratifying and inspiring. The weekly conference and prayer service is well attended, although such attendance is purely optional. Twenty-five of the girls have been regularly present at said service throughout the year. The influence of such a service cannot but be most helpful and edifying. From time to time the most assuring testimonies of that influence come to the knowledge of the instructors. Recently, a student writing from her home in vacation, told Miss Davis that she regularly held a similar service even when she was the only person to attend it.

The girls who have completed the course of study and have gone out from this school, are scattered widely for they come from all parts of the country. Miss Davis says: "We have the most convincing evidence that the influence of the school and the change which through its agency have been effected, are permanent. I was particularly impressed with this fact when, after attending the conference last spring we returned by a different route for the purpose of visiting the Hotantza School and the village of Hibilee, and, in a word seeing as much as was possible of the village people who are within the influence of our people. In the mere matter of cleanliness the difference is most marked and impressive. A village girl who has attended our school for even one year, will not be content to live as she has lived before. The improvement in manners and surroundings is always noticeable. I think that it is good ground for encouragement and hope with all our people, that so small an amount of Protestant leaven is so effective in securing among those people, a general cleaning up of their homes and an improved manner of living. Nevertheless it must be admitted that even after such an improvement has taken place, a real, genuine Protestant home is as different from its neighbors in point of cleanliness as black is from white. In the matter of firm adherence to their own religious opinions there is constant gain. In

spite of the ridicule and reproach which they are sure to receive, we have had more women at our meetings than ever before, and they persist in coming and taking active part, not only in the program of our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, but on each Sunday and in the public service. There is no other explanation of this fact than that they are acting in accordance with a fixed principle. Their steadfastness means for them, annoyance, vexatious trials, and oftentimes persecution, and their fidelity is a conclusive evidence of the sincerity of their professions."

The Epworth League of the Loftcha church includes among its members all of our teachers and more than twenty of the students. This fact entitles the league to notice in this report. The prayer meetings which it maintains have been profitable and are well attended. Special religious work has been taken up in two villages, one or both of which have been visited by league members every Sunday since last March. Great interest has been manifested in the Bible study class which meets weekly under the auspices of the literary department and is led by the pastor. There has been more enthusiasm than ever before in the reading of missionary literature. This fact is of special interest and suggests that the missionary spirit has a strong hold upon the sympathies of these people. Since last September the league has paid $20 toward the twentieth century fund of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. It had previously paid $20 to a similar fund for the use of the general society, making a contribution of $40 for the year. It is now earning money to purchase an organ for the Loftcha church. The Loftcha Woman's Foreign Missionary Society Auxiliary has been especially prosperous during the last year. There is a girls' mission band that works in connection with it, and which renders valuable service. The monthly meetings have been well attended. The programs are more interesting and profitable and the contributions are larger than at any previous time. During the year it has paid $20 for the support of the Bible work in Loftcha and has added $20 to the twentieth century fund.

The Epworth League societies have experienced many annoyances and persecutions during the year. The weekly prayer meeting, which is held on Saturday evening, has been the target for an element that gives them a great deal of trouble. A crowd of rough young men and boys came into the meetings, and in every way that did not involve legal liability endeavored to destroy the service. When tired of making disturbances inside the building they would go outside and throw stones or fasten up the gate, and finally went so far as to cover the steps and entrance to the church with tar, which our missionaries, together with their men of all work in the school, cleaned off before the Sabbath. Finally a soldier, who was converted last year and who is now a faithful

and ever-vigilant friend, volunteered to guard the place. But the band of faithful workers considered that both their faith and endurance had been fully compensated when, at a celebration of the Lord's supper the next morning (the occasion being the quarterly meeting), the invitation was given for "all who truly and earnestly repent of their sins to draw near and partake of the holy communion," a number of girls who never before had participated in this service, promptly rose from their seats and knelt at the altar. This was a great surprise to the missionaries and an important step for the young women. With these people the taking of the communion is equivalent to an open break with the Orthodox church and practically ranks the participants with the despised Protestants. With them, too, the taking of the communion is attended with so much of traditional observance and superstition that it is difficult for them to comprehend the simple significance of the sacrament. There were some of these girls who had never been instructed in the superstitions of the Greek church, and who had received instruction in our school and who were, therefore, willing to accept the Christian religion as a part of their education; but to those who had been more fully instructed and who had a more mature understanding of the situation, there was a full realization as to the consequences which the step involved. The proceeding was by no means an unpremeditated one. The girls had studied the matter carefully and had conferred with each other and had decided before they went to church just what they ought to do. Let us hope that their fidelity may be most amply rewarded.

Miss Davis writes, in summing up one of her letters and reviewing the work of the year: "I cannot think that it was a mistake to open this school, nor that it is a mistake to keep it open. How could it be, when in all Northern Bulgaria there is no other place where girls can go for an education which shall include training in a living evangelical faith? Indeed, I may put it more strongly than that, for time and again the fathers of the girls in our school have said to Miss Blackburn, 'I like this school and send my daughter here, knowing that she will be safe.' These statements are made by Orthodox people, who care nothing for our religion, but who do care to have their girls given the training of this school, and who, above all, desire to feel that their daughters are perfectly safe. At the same time they will say that they do not dare to send them to their national schools because of the low state of moral instruction and observance. Two of our girls last year came from the city in which is situated one of the best of our national schools, and both expect to return to us next year."

Miss Davis further says: "I cannot but believe that this mission has a future of great success before it, just as certainly as it now has a work

waiting its efforts and lying at its very doors. Isolated from the helpful nfluences of outside Protestantism, surrounded by people either avowdly given over to the most pronounced infidelity or domineered by a igoted priesthood, this mission and a little group of others like it stand o-day in Bulgaria like a gallantly defended outpost of Protestantism, ravely holding their own against attacks on every side, and to the honor f our church and to the honor of its sister churches, it can be said that n Bulgaria, where the word 'truth' is but a name, the word of a Protestant is unquestioned."

MRS. F. P. CRANDON,
Official Correspondent.

ITALY.

Organized as a Conference 1881.

Woman's Work Commenced 1886.

MISSIONARIES.

M. ELLA VICKERY, EVA ODGERS,
AGNES A. LLEWELLYN, LAURA E. BEAZELL,
*IDA M. BOWNE.

*Home on leave.

Our work in Rome during the last year has been replete with erest. A goodly measure of success has attended all of our efforts. e Lord has graciously blessed His people and their work, and with mble thanksgiving we recognize His continuing favors.

The school work has prospered even beyond our expectations. At e beginning of the year much interest was felt in regard to some of the der students, who seemed to hesitate about giving themselves to the ord and accepting the Christian faith, but with the opening of the new ear they announced their purpose to give their hearts to God and to seek through Christ that salvation which the Gospel proclaims. This decision was the occasion of sincere rejoicing, and it is hoped that much good will result from their decision and influence. Other students, who were among their associates, seemed to be inspired by their action and became much interested in the matter of their own religious lives. These students were the subjects of careful instruction and of earnest prayers, with the result that one after another they are being brought to a personal knowledge of sins forgiven through the atoning blood of the Saviour.

By and by these students will complete their courses of study and will take their places in the activities of life. If they carry with them the influence of sanctified characters and Christian example, we are justified in believing that immense good will result from their Christian training.

The membership of the school is constantly increasing. Thirty new pupils entered during the last year, making a total enrollment of sixty-four girls. Many applications for admission for the coming year have been received. But the accommodations of the building are already taxed to the utmost, and every consideration of health and discipline forbids any addition to the number of occupants. It is greatly to be hoped that the way may be found to largely increase the present facilities.

The interest and enthusiasm in all departments of the school work are gratifying, and seem to be increasing. Several girls are taking the normal school course, preparing themselves for the profession of teaching. Among this number is a young lady who has completed her studies, and who now returns to her home in the Island of Elba, to engage in school work there, and another will accept a position in our own school, in the kindergarten department.

A few of the students are being trained in industrial work. This department is one of very great importance and will be more and more developed as opportunity and facilities for so doing can be provided.

Miss Odgers writes: "A change is coming to the people. They do not now fear our Protestantism as heretofore. They have been taught to hate us by their church, but nothing has happened to the children who have been trained in our school, and our system of instruction is superior to that given in the convents. Hence, we are gaining ground as that old fear of the Protestant religion dies away, as they see more clearly the results of our work among their people. Thus greater opportunities are opening to us and to our work.

"A father with three motherless children brought them to the school to be cared for. Being himself a Protestant, he desired for them a Christian education. The school officers had no funds which could be used for their support, but the father pleaded so hard that they were finally received into the school, he agreeing to pay all that he could, and in this way provide at least for their partial support. Not long afterwards, some good friend sent a gift of $60, with instructions that the money should be used for the support of the children; and this fact seems to suggest some acts of charity may be undertaken, even where the way out is not at the time discernible. All through the year help has come to us when it was most needed. The helpful word and kindly thought, the ready sympathy and kindly support of those who labor for us in the home-

and, will be remembered by an abundant harvest of golden sheaves which ıave been gathered in the Eternal City."

Miss Beazell, having recovered her health, has returned to Rome to ork with Miss Odgers in the Via Garibaldi school, while Miss Bowne eturns to this country for rest.

A problem which may or may not become a serious one confronts us t Garibaldi. The hospital which adjoined our property has been emoved to a new building outside the city, but there is a constant fear ıat the old one may be converted into a hospital for the treatment of ontagious diseases, in which case our property would be useless for chool purposes. If the money were available for the purchase of this roperty, it would, after being somewhat changed and repaired, provide s with the room which is so greatly needed for the enlargement of our ork.

The constituency of the Via Garibaldi school is from a class of society ntirely different from that which gives its patronage to the institute; but ıe education and Christian training of these girls is not, therefore, a ıatter of less importance, or a less valuable contribution to the forces hich are working for the regeneration of Italy. This school is doing a olendid work. Its curriculum is carefully and wisely adapted to the resent needs and prospective life of the students. An earnest effort is ıade to help them achieve the best possible results under any circumances by which they may be surrounded, and over and above all the onsideration which is always emphasized, is the development of Chrisan character. That being secured, there necessarily follows Christian aining for the children, Christian homes for the people and finally Chrisan life for the nation. In anticipation of this result, even if its achieveıent be far in the future, we find cause for present congratulation and an mple inspiration to our faith and effort.

CRANDON INSTITUTE, ROME. Miss Vickery's report of randon Institute is so complete that I print it almost entire.

"Looking down from the position which has been secured within the ıort period of six years and counting the difficulties that have been overome at numerous places all along the way, we find abundant reason for umble and devout thanksgiving to God for successes already achieved; ut looking up toward the longed-for heights and measuring the weary istance yet to be covered before attaining our ideal, we would sink with iscouragement were it not for the promise — 'They that wait upon ıe Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not int.'

The scholastic year opened as usual the first of October and, as has

been the fact in each preceding year, the student attendance was again doubled; 228 pupils were enrolled, of whom 54 are boarders. When we remind ourselves of the various calumnies which have been circulated about the school and the continued efforts to depreciate it in the public estimation, this large increase could not but give us a more confident and satisfying trust in Him who has promised that 'All things work together for good to them that put their trust in God.'

Our work here is taking on a more pretentious character. In addition to the elementary, preparatory and intermediate departments, a normal course of three years was organized this year. Professor Tauro, president of the National Pedagogical Society and editor of the Italian Teachers' Journal, a man whose liberal and evangelical principles are well known, and Madame Bodrero, who has had twenty-five years' experience as a principal in the municipal schools of Rome, have been added to our corps of teachers, making a total of 33 professors and instructors, whose salaries are paid entirely from the local income of the institute.

In our student community all classes are well represented. We thought that ample provision had been made for recitation rooms. These are now so crowded that it has been a serious question how we shall accommodate the large increase which is already with us for work during this new school year.

The professors of the music school offered three competitive scholarships to pupils of talent who were unable otherwise to secure the best instruction. This attracted the brightest pupils in Rome to the institute, and gained for us the sympathy of many who, under other conditions, would not have been interested in the school. Under the direction of Prof. Sgambati the pupils of the music school gave evidence of their ability and progress in five public recitals, before large audiences gathered in the Methodist church. In this way the people generally had an opportunity to judge of the excellent work which is being done in this department.

On Easter morning and at various other church festivals the chorus class of the institute sang sacred anthems, which were very much appreciated by the pastor and the members of the Italian church.

Our Italian minister, Rev. A. Tagliatela, took charge of the classes in moral philosopy and sacred history. His instructive lectures and lessons necessarily reflected his own deep spirituality, and infused into the minds of his pupils a love and a respect for the Christian evangelical faith.

Mlle. Delord merits special praise for her help in the administration of the institute and her untiring efforts to promote the spiritual life of the home. Every Thursday evening she has gathered the Protestant girls

gether in her room for earnest and confidential conversations as to their ıristian experience, and for sincere prayer for such strength and light as ɔuld render them living examples of Christ's power to save and enable em to impress their Catholic companions by the excellence and consistcy of their personal characters.

Following the good Wesleyan doctrine that "Cleanliness is next to ɔdliness," when Miss Llewellyn took complete oversight of the house-ld, she insisted upon scrupulous neatness in all the rooms, bureau awers and wardrobes of the girls. Though her methods were radical, e was able to enforce her rules by first winning the hearts of the girl ıdents by her rare tact, and by her good humor in dealing with their ortcomings.

The language classes were attended by ninety-seven pupils. The ıchers of French, English and German gave their services gratis for e evening language classes of the Epworth League.

The 20th of December, the first anniversary of the dedication of the ll by Bishop Vincent, was chosen for the distribution of the prizes ovided for the past scholastic year. Appropriate exercises were held the large audience room of the Italian Church, and the Rev. Dr. Burt esented prizes and honor certificates to nineteen pupils, who had ɔtained an average of ninety or more in their studies.

For the year the school has made a very satisfactory financial owing. We have been able to pay all running expenses, repairs, xes, insurance and the salaries of thirty-three teachers from our local come, which amounted to nearly twelve thousand dollars.

Of the two hundred and thirty-eight pupils enrolled, two hundred ıd one were Italians, two Swiss, two French, three Russian, five ermans, three Swedes, three English and nine Americans, so that the hool is practically a native or Italian work, though inasmuch as it is e only Methodist college for girls in Europe, it draws some students ɔm other countries.

Only three scholarships have been granted to the school by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and these have been used to ıable the daughters of Italian Methodist ministers to enjoy the privileges ; the institution. Of these students, two were orphans.

Now that the financial success and a generous patronage of the nterprise seems to be fully assured, we are able to devote all our nergies and efforts to the real object of its establishment, namely, the evelopment in Italy of the highest type of Christian womanhood. To ne who studies the present social conditions, the assertion that the ıture of Italy is in the hands of her women, will by no means seem an exaggeration.

When, after years of brave struggle, Rome was finally wrested from Papal power and made the capital of united Italy, Garibaldi, the leading spirit of the progressive party, with wonderful foresight exclaimed: "Yes, we men have done all that we could; our work is finished and we give our children a country. But oh, women of Italy, if you do not give us true, loyal Italians, our victory over error will be in vain". The check that came to Italy's progress after her brilliant revolution was caused by the failure of her women, so crippled by priestly influence, to respond to this sacred trust. The great, deep, inexorable need of Italy to-day is not for women of high culture, of refinement and learning; of these she has always had her share; but for women of high character, who are sure of their own convictions, capable of self-control; women whose religious sentiments are formed from the depths of their own consciences and personal experiences, and not moulded by crafty priests; mothers who are gifted with that strength of soul and purpose which only the highest spiritual culture can impart. Only bring it to pass that Italy has women of character to stand as examplars of the Christian religion, and the dark clouds of superstition and ignorance, and the fatal control of priests, will vanish as if by magic before the sun of righteousness.

To unite all our forces and do all that we can to respond to this urgent need, appears each day more distinctly, more forcibly, our one mission in Italy. Knowing that it is not what we teach, not even what we do, but what we really are, that will most influence the girls entrusted to our care, we have insisted this year on having only Protestants and active Christian teachers in the house. Persons whose lives are a continual testimony for Christ. This has created a new atmosphere of unity and love in the home and has made possible a more direct spiritual work than in the past years.

A few weeks ago, a mother who took her nine-year-old child from the nuns to put her in our school, and who then seemed very much afraid that the child's soul would be lost in consequence, came to me with tears in her eyes to thank me for the great improvement that had taken place in her little daughter: 'Not only has she surprised me with her progress in her studies, but she has grown so good and so gentle, and when she talks to us about religion she is so earnest that she makes us cry. For weeks she has begged me, every time she sees me, to buy her this book, the only thing she wanted. No other gift would satisfy her.' My cup of thankfulness was full, when the mother, who a few months before begged that her child might not hear the Bible read, handed me a beautiful copy of the New Testament, her gift to her daughter. This little one has also persuaded her two brothers to attend our church.

Each class is opened every morning with prayer and every evening all the boarders unite in family worship. Nothing contributes more to the mutual support, kindness and confidence of our large household than these moments of sincere and devout study of the Word. The girls sing with enthusiasm our sweet, sacred songs, and give their earnest attention to the prayer, which occasionally is offered by one of their own number, and all join in repeating 'Our Father.'

Never before as during this year, has the desire to do good, to be good and render service to others, been so marked, and this sentiment of love and charity has been strong enough to sweep away differences in creed and thought, and throughout the year, Catholic, Protestant and Jewish girls, and those who profess no special faith, have united in perfect accord in the common desire to help suffering humanity. On their own initiative and with the result of many little sacrifices of dainties dear to their hearts, they provided and served a sumptuous New Year's dinner to seventy-six poor children gathered from the streets of Rome. They amused the little ones with a good program of music and recitation and sent each one away happy in the possession of a gift from the Christmas tree. A group of the older girls made it their special work to visit the hospitals of Rome, carrying fruit and books to the suffering inmates. Often, when accompanying them, my heart has been moved by the words of Christian comfort and encouragement which these girls whispered to those who were suffering, and I thanked God for this opportunity for their spiritual culture.

After an explanation of the organization and workings of the order of the King's Daughters, every boarder in the school asked to become a member of the society and the various circles have been doing most effective work all the year. A group of little girls, all under nine years of age, have collected five dollars for toys to be given to the poor children. Another circle of girls from twelve to fourteen years of age, arranged and executed a most interesting program of song and prayer, followed by a sale of articles which they had made in recreation hours, which netted about twenty-seven dollars. Each girl has a purple bound book with "Nel Suo Noma" (In His Name) in gold letters across the back and every evening she must make a record of one kind act which she has done during the day for the love of the Master.

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The arrival of Miss Miller in November, 1901, rejoiced the hearts of all. When the women saw her they would eagerly say, "Is this our lady we have so long looked forward to meeting ?"

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concerning Christ's love and His power to save from sin, brings comfort and encouragement to all. After this service, all the Protestant girls attend our Methodist Sunday School and church services. One of the pupils teaches a class in the Sunday School and another won the first prize for proficiency in Bible study, in a competitive examination in which all the Sunday School scholars of Rome took part; and, in the last Italian conference, the pastors of both the Italian and American churches, expressed their warm appreciation of the services of the pupils, and spoke in terms of warm approval of the institute itself.

These girls are surely learning what it is to lead Christ-like lives, and while we ardently desire that the time may come when they will openly confess Christ and ally themselves to our evangelical church, yet when we see the marked improvement in their lives and characters, we can be patient, knowing that God looks at the heart; and though they may, like the Zenana women of India, make no public professisn of their faith, He knows that they are His children.

Crandon Institute has come to be one of the objects of special interest to tourists and other visitors to Rome, as well as to those persons who are in some way, directly concerned in missionary and educational work. Every day many callers, who desire to inspect the building and secure information concerning the school are received. The location and beauty of the school property command universal admiration, and the character of the school work that is there carried on, and the almost ideal social life of the institution, have received such elaborate and such frequent commendation, as to render extended reference to them, now unnecessary.

The October number of the *Woman's Missionary Friend* contains a gratifying and appreciative article on the institute and its work. An article whose perusal will amply repay anyone who is interested in the Italian work of this society.

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Chemulpo.

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MRS. W. A. NOBLE,
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Home on leave.

The famine has made an especially hard year. Most of the girls ained during the New Year vacation because food was so scarce in e of the country districts. Class work has been carried on without rruption, and the heart-life of the girls is full of encouragement.

In several instances they have voluntarily apologized for hasty words acts of disobedience, and expressed a desire to live closer to the Mas- and overcome all that is displeasing to Him.

SEOUL. *Evangelistic Work* has been done principally by our bible- nen, whom Miss Frey calls the five fingers of her right hand.

Some of the women have formed a society under the leadership of Mary Whang for various benevolences. When discussing how much ive toward the Bible fund, the leader said, "Let us give well, for the e is soul food". During the year 69 women have given their names probationers, through the influence of Dr. Pak's dispensary, Ewa tang and the day schools, and through the bible-women and other rch visitors.

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On the day our annual meeting was to open, the crisis was seen to be near, and with bowed heads and sad hearts our exercises were begun. Many and fervent were the prayers that went up from every heart to Him who we knew was watching over our sister and would give her back to us if it was best. She slept that afternoon, thus giving a ray of hope, for the doctors said she would waken either better or worse. Her sister, Mrs. Folwell, seemed to realize that the end was near, and said, as she gazed at the tired form resting, "I think Lily must be entering upon her last sleep." Her rest was short, and she wakened still unconscious. About ten o'clock her sufferings ceased and her spirit took its flight to that Heaven of which she seemed to catch occasional glimpses during her illness. Suddenly, one day, she attempted to rise, moving aside those who stood by and gazing up with face illumined she exclaimed, "beautiful! beautiful!" Miss Pierce says: "The impressions I formed of Dr. Harris in our journey together to the mission field four years and a half ago, have grown more firmly fixed as the days went by. The same usefulness that characterized the friend of a few hours was still to be seen on that Sabbath night in May when, thinking only of the relief she might give the sick woman who called her, she forgot her own tired body, burning then with fever, and went in the middle of the night to help one of Christ's little ones. To be in conscious accord with the will of the Master was the greatest desire of her heart."

Miss Estey loves to recall the scene as one day the doctor folded her hands in prayerful attitude and said, "Power from above to do thy perfect will, O God!" At another time, "Praise on earth for all He gives to us; O, how good the Lord is to us." A little clipping tacked on the wall of her dispensary explains the motive of her living; "Just to let love be our daily key. That is God's will for you and for me."

Some one has said, "there is nothing fruitful but sacrifice." One death in the mission field is worth six lives at home, seems a strange saying, but one may gather something of its meaning, perhaps, from the scene the morning following the death of Dr. Harris.

On the porch of the hospital where she had helped so many sick ones by her medicine and good cheer, lay her lifeless form in the beautiful white casket. Around were gathered the bereaved sister and brother and loving friends. But most pathetic of all was the host of Korean friends, who came to pay their last respects to their dead. She was, indeed theirs. No one questioned; they claimed her in death as they had in life. As we watched the tearful faces and heard the broken sobs, we thought, 'How beautiful are the feet of them that bring good tidings.'

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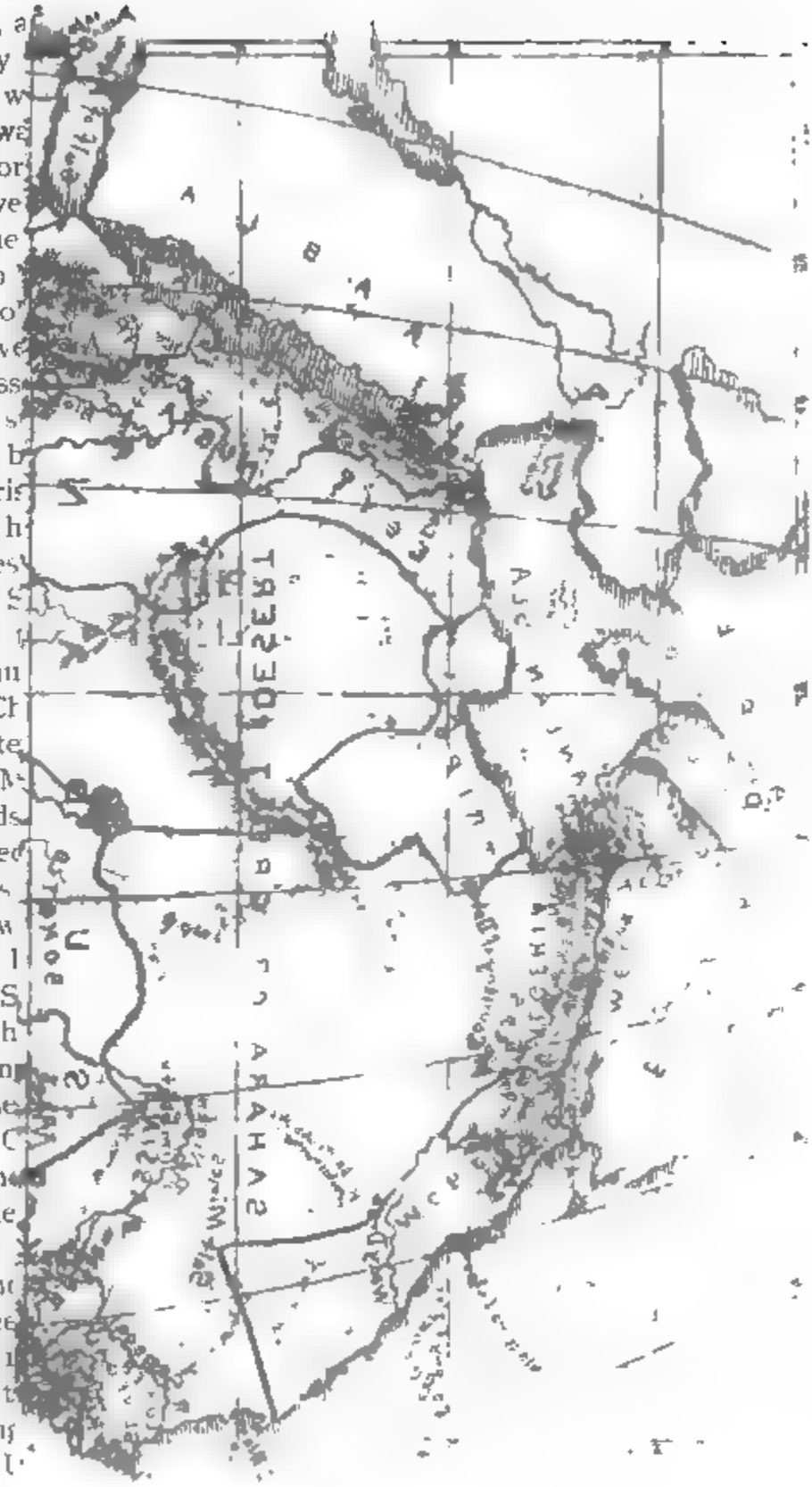

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Remembering Dr. Harris' life and her tender service for others, it seemed as if God Himself must have seen she needed rest and took her to be with Him. His will for her had been accomplished, and He took her home."

Surely one such death as this is worth more than the combined lives of the many hundreds of women even in the Christian Church.

"Who live for self and think of self,
And of nothing on earth beside,
Just as if Jesus had never lived,
And as if He had never died."

H. B. SKIDMORE, *Official Correspondent.*

AFRICA.

Work Opened in 1899.

MISSIONARIES.

Angola, Quessua.

*MISS JOSEPHINE MEKKELSON, MISS SUSAN COLLINS.

Rhodesia, Old Umtali.

MRS. HELEN E. RASMUSSEN.

*Deceased.

Our one representative on the east coast is Mrs. Helen Rasmussen. One of the fine buildings given the missionary society by the government at Old Umtali, is her home. It was erected at an expense of $20,000. Here we have the unusual experience of entering into an inheritance of homes and lands without any expense to the society. While Miss Mekkelson in Angola was begging for a shelter for her girls, Mrs. Rasmussen had this fine home and no girls. She says, "This is a climate for Europeans. Although lying in the tropics, on account of the altitude the vegetation belongs to the temperate zone. The mountains that surround us are veined with gold, and already only seven miles away there are two mines running full blast, day and night, and the percentage of gold to the ton is said to be greater than at Johannesburg." The natives are mentally and morally superior to those in other parts of Africa, but there is no written language. Mrs. Rasmussen has had to learn the native tongue word by word from the lips of her teachers.

Mrs. Rasmussen went early in June to the Kraal of Chikonga, eight miles from her home, in Hartzell Villa, Old Umtali. Here she planned to stay a month, studying the language and people. But in two weeks word came that old King Mtasa was very ill, and Chikonga said Mrs. Rasmussen must go with her to see her father. This she did and found not only the old king but many other patients needed her ministry. All the people, even the babies, drink beer. Soap is all but unknown, and the children wear the most abbreviated clothing. The nights are spent in drinking, dancing and hideous songs. The great soul need of the people is apparent.

Here our good missionary found a field for labor, and secured three girls. One is unmarriageable because she cut her upper teeth first, but seems very promising. It will cost $40 or $45 a year to support these girls. The missionary cannot live on less than $600 a year. We must pray for this great field, and our missionary in Rhodesia, that the Holy Spirit may be indeed poured out upon them.

QUESSUA. Early in the year Miss Mekkelson's letters had a tone of sadness. It was so lonely and she had frequent fevers, and no one of her own race to care for her. When Miss Collins arrived there was great rejoicing. She worked in the villages and helped everywhere. But she was distressed at Miss Mekkelson's condition and notified her secretary. At the May meeting a resolution passed, requesting Miss Mekkelson to leave Angola at once—go to Rhodesia, where African fever is almost unknown. But alas, the message never reached her. The Bishop visited the station in May, and with the six other missionaries made large plans for the future, which filled Miss Mekkelson's soul with praises. He sent her down to Loanda for a rest and change from this place. On June 11th her last letter was written. It was full of Christian joy.

But again she came down with fever, and on July 5th she laid down her life for the cause of Christ in Africa. Her last message to the secretary was: "I am so glad you let me come. I have never regretted it, but I am sorry that I could not stand it longer. Let not the work stop. There are precious lives here. Let all be faithful." We can only try to comfort our hearts with the Master's own words: "Except a grain of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone; but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit."

Dr. Dodson wrote of her: "With bowed head and dropping tears I received the news of the death of our noble Sister Mekkelson. She was truly a noble—a Christian young woman." We, too, bow our heads and drop sorrowful tears for this precious one, who taught us so many lessons of faith and trust.

Bishop Hartzell says that Loanda has been neglected for years for

lack of workers, but being on the coast and the port of Angola, is a most important station. "Within seven miles of the mission there are forty thousand people, of whom five thousand are Portuguese. Here largely self-supporting boarding and day schools for boys and girls can be maintained." We can truly hope that the day of Africa's redemption draweth near.

M. S. HUSTON,

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BURMA MISSION CONFERENCE.

Organized 1901.

Woman's Work Commenced 1881.

MISSIONARIES.

Rangoon.

JOSEPHINE STAHL, GRACE STOCKWELL, EMMA STOCKWELL.

Thandaung.

LUELLA RIGBY, CHARLOTTE ILLINGWORTH, *FANNIE PERKINS.

*Home on leave.

In January, 1901, Bengal-Burma Conference was divided, and all the territory east of the Bay of Bengal was formed into the Burma Mission Conference. The work in this new conference is largely among the Eurasians and the other English-speaking residents.

In 1892 Miss Wisner started a little school for Burmese girls, first as a Sunday school, the year following as a day school, which for lack of room elsewhere, was held on the veranda of the house of Mrs. Julius Smith. After the first year Mrs. Smith was in charge of the school. At the end of two years the school was removed to a rented building.

As long as we were obliged to borrow teachers for these girls from a sister church the need for larger and permanent quarters was not urgent, but since our own Misses Stockwell have taken charge of this most interesting work, the growth and prosperity of this school has exceeded our highest expectations. In May it was found necessary to move the school, with its 48 girls, to the old orphanage, on Levis street. Two months later the number of pupils had increased from 48 to 80 and the number of boarders from 5 to 15. With but two school rooms and three rooms for boarders, Miss Stockwell will have to close the doors to all new-comers or

have a larger home. She and her sister are obliged to live at our mission home on Lancaster road, far distant from the school. The girls greatly need their personal supervision and the refining influence of their constant presence among them. At this critical juncture government has thrown open a tract of land in the most healthful part of Rangoon, in the center of a population of 20,000 Burmese. The land is given on a 90-year lease to anyone who will build on it.

This seems a providential opening for us to secure a permanent home for our first and only Burmese school. Who will furnish the money for the building?

Miss Stahl says "the Burmese are a very bright and interesting people and seem to me superior to the Indian people in many ways".

THANDAUNG. Miss Rigby and Miss Illingworth have bravely assumed the new responsibilities imposed on them by Miss Perkins' absence.

At the opening of the school year they found themselves with two new classes (Standard, VIII and IX) and without a teacher for them. In May, Miss Turnell was released from the Rangoon school and went to Thandaung to share the work of the over-burdened missionaries.

Miss Illingworth says of Miss Turnell: "She is a great, sweet-spirited helper, and we wonder how we ever managed to do without her."

This school at Thandaung is developing a fine lot of cheerful, useful and self-reliant girls. Three of them have been responsible for the cooking for a family of fifty, and they seem to do their work "heartily as unto the Lord", for they keep sweet and sunny all the time. Miss Turnell brought up one of the Rangoon girls to teach in the Lower Standards, and these added helpers with their love and sympathy and cheerful co-operation make easy many a hard place.

The school should now rank as a high school, but the Director of Public Instruction refuses to register it as one. The work in Burma has taken on new life during the year. The Rangoon girls' school and the Burmese school are growing rapidly, and the Thandaung school is a bright example of the wisdom of industrial training combined with school work.

MRS. C. O'NEAL, *Official Correspondent.*

REPORT OF THE WORK IN SWITZERLAND, NORTH AND SOUTH GERMANY.

Our work in these conferences has had a great uplift during this year by the visit of one of our own missionaries, Miss Martha Lebeus, from Sieng-Iu, China. Wherever she went she gained the love and confidence

of the sisters, and they were not only interested, but enthusiastic about the work she represents. The conference secretaries only regretted that she could not visit more places. However, her health did not allow her to keep steadily at work, and the visit to her old father, whom she had not seen for twenty years, claimed some of her time. The conference secretary for Switzerland does not mention her visit in her report, as that was written prior to Miss Lebeus' arrival in Europe. This conference secretary writes: "I am thankful that I can send you our report without diminution, but with a little progress, though times grow rather worse than better. It is really a wonder that the gifts of Switzerland came to this amount, considering the fact that every year the appropriation which our church in America grants to the Swiss conference is smaller, though our needs are growing continually, so that our members have to give more than ever. It is a blessing for them and a real grace of God that they have hearts and hands open for missions in spite of these difficulties. Our bible-women, whom you kindly support, continue to do a blessed good work. Their innumerable steps to poor, Godless, unhappy people, bring a flood of blessing for time and eternity. May your work go on in power and love to the glorious harvest of the Lord's Day."

From the South Germany conference we hear of a gratifying increase. The conference secretary says: "During the past year the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has been a source of great joy to us. In a great many places the missionary interest has been roused, and large and small gifts have been brought willingly into the treasury of the Lord. The congregation in Pirmasens has seen its way to support the bible-woman which the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has heretofore partly supported. They wish to thank the society once more for the help which has been given them for a number of years, and to express their appreciation for this help. The visit of Sister Lebeus has been a great blessing for us. We were only sorry that she could not go to more than seven appointments. If we could have such visitors oftener, the missionary interest would be greatly increased."

The secretary from North Germany writes: "Though the contributions from our conference are smaller than those of the others, we are sure that every gift has been given prayerfully and lovingly, and the Lord surely will bless them. Still we have the pleasure of reporting a small increase over last year, and we are so glad that the Lord has opened new doors and has made more hearts willing to help in this blessed work. Our new society in Liegnitz has sent us a nice little sum. We also had a contribution from Hungary. We praise the Lord for the smallest as well as the larger gifts. The society in Plauen, Saxony, supports an orphan

in China and also one in India. These women are enthusiastic missionary workers, and there are thirty young girls who have joined the Standard Bearers' Society. May God help them to lift high the royal banner. It may not suffer loss."

Our bible-women in Switzerland as well as Germany have done good work. In Berlin a new work was started among the unemployed. Our bible-woman there spends all her time in this work and seems to meet with success.

The preacher in Chemnitz also writes an appreciative letter of the great help the bible-woman is in that large manufacturing center.

A. M. ACHARD.

REPORT OF SCANDINAVIAN WORK.

Work among the Scandinavian women commenced only a little over a year ago. Miss Alma Jacobson, one of the society's missionaries located in Pakur, India, had a very interesting work among the women and girls of that station, but there was no suitable house for a home and school. In order to secure funds for building, Miss Jacobson came to America, and as soon as she landed in San Francisco commenced holding meetings.

Since then she has visited four Swedish conferences, with one hundred and fifty churches, and several Swedish churches in American conferences, and spoken about two hundred and seventy-five times.

One hundred and seventeen auxiliaries have been organized, with twenty-five hundred members.

In accomplishing this work Miss Jacobson had to travel extensively, as the Scandinavians are widely scattered, the Swedish and Norwegian conferences extending over a large territory throughout the west.

This work has been placed in care of a special secretary, Mrs. Andrew Farrell, of St. Paul, Minn.

Appropriations for 1902-1903.

NEW ENGLAND BRANCH.

North India.

Naini Tal, Schools	$ 33
Assistant	120
Dwarahat, First Assistant	110
Scholarships	60
Pithoragarh, Miss Tresham	300
Scholarships	40
Conveyance	60
Repairs	50
Bhot, Medical work	33
Conference expenses	25
Itinerating and moving	50
Bareilly, Scholarships and orphans	280
Shahjahanpore, Salary of Miss C. M. Organ	650
Moradabad, First Assistant	240
Scholarships	700
City Schools	168
Inspectress	60
Bible women	104
Conveyance	84
Evangelistic work	200
Agra Medical Scholarships	80
Bijnour, Second Assistant	180
Scholarships	100
City workers	60
Conveyance	66
District work	700
Mrs. Mansell's itinerating	50
Sambahl District	944
Lucknow, Salary of Miss F. L. Nichols	650
Salary of Miss M. P. Stearns	650
Memorial Scholarships	80
Mrs. Parker's itinerating	33
Gonda, Salary of Miss E. M. Ruddick	500
Rent of bungalow	100
	$7,560

Noth West India.

Muttra, First Assistant	$ 240
Conveyance	33
Scholarships	195
Cawnpore, First Assistant	220
Scholarships in native school	150
Scholarships in high school	216
Assistant	110
Meerut, First Assistant	240
	$1,404

Bombay.

Bombay, Scholarships	$ 280
Basim, Scholarships and general work	750
	$1,030

South India.

Hyderabad, City girls' schools	$ 275
Scholarships	80
Salary of Mrs. Somerville	260
Madras, Salary of Miss D'Jordan	260
Salary of Miss Young	260
Conveyance	80
Scholarships	200
Meenambal	100
Raipur, Salary of Miss E. L. Harvey	450
Conveyance	60
	$2,025

Bengal.

Darjeeling, Salary of Miss E. L. Knowles	$ 350

Malaysia.

Singapore, Salary of Miss E. A. Hemingway	$ 425
Venacular teacher	48
Miss Meyer	180
Conveyance	40
Teluk Ayer, rent	180
Furniture	50
School carriage	120
Rickshaw hire	60
Scholarships	140
Penang, First teacher, Girls' school	180
	$1,423

Korea.

Seoul, Salary of Miss Josephine O. Paine	$ 600
Incidentals	150
Scholarships	480
Dan of all work	50
Fay school (west gate)	40
uel	175

Pyeng Yang, Salary of Miss Sara H. Miller	$ 700
Itinerating	50
Bible woman	50
Repairs	25
	$2,320

North Japan.

Hakodate, Scholarships	$ 240
Literature teacher	270
Pupil assistant	60
Hirosaki, Teacher, 3d and 4th grades	80
Assistant	60
Bible woman	72
	$782

Central Japan.

Yamagata, Bible woman	$ 72
Aoyama, Scholarships	380
Science teacher	234
Industrial Scholarships	80
Yokohama, Ground rent	60
Insurance	200
Fuel and lights	75
Scholarships	280
Preparatory teacher	72
Mrs. Inagaki	72
Yamabuckicho day school	600
Kindergarten	150
Literary work	35
Nagoya, Teacher of Chinese and Japanese	125
Sewing teacher	150
Matron	75
	$2,660

South Japan.

Nagasaki, Scholarships	$ 280

North China.

Peking, Salary of Miss E. G. Young	$ 750
Salary of Miss G. Gilman	650
Tartar City day school	75
Hospital	400
Scholarships	900
Tsim Hua, Salary of Dr. E. G. Terry	650
Salary of Miss E. E. Glover	750
City day school	75
Boarding school teacher	40
Hospital expenses	100
Coolie	40
Assistant	40
Matron	40
Gate keeper	40
Night watchman	40
Scholarships	540
Tientsin, Salary of Miss M. Croucher	750
Gate keeper	40
Scholarships	60
	$5,980

West China.

Chung King, Scholarships	$ 80
Bible-woman	30
Chentu, Salary of Miss C. J. Collier	450
Rent	50
Scholarships	60
	$670

Central China.

Nanking, City day school teacher	$ 40
Scholarships	175
	$215

Foochow.

Foochow, Girls' boarding school	$ 240
Orphans	60
Ku Cheng, Womans' school	150
Bible-woman	50
Day school	25
Repairs	20
Iong Bing, Salary of Miss M. C. Hartford	750
Repairs and rent	50
Hai Tang, Woman's school	300
Bible women	96
Day schools and traveling	210
	$1,951

Hing Hua.

Ing Chung, Salary of Miss A. M. Todd	$ 600
Salary of Miss J. A. Marriott	600
Bible women	75
	$1,275

Bulgaria.

Loftcha, Scholarships	$ 80
Matron and other service	220
Taxes	25
	$325

Italy.

Via Garibaldi, Scholarships	$ 300

South America.

Buenos Ayres, Rent	$ 200
Teachers	200
Scholarships	83
Rosario, Assistant	400
Scholarships	200
Repairs and taxes	200
School supplies	30
Furniture	50
Montevideo, Salary of Miss B. E. Kneeland	750
Scholarships	100
Taxes	150
Insurance	40
School supplies	100
Interest	100
	$2,603

Mexico.

City, Scholarships	$ 150
l supplies	200
woman	100
res, Miss Concha Perez	240
Sara Valverde	210
r	70
ı, Assistant, Miss M. ozco	174
al teacher, Miss R. Perez	240
ırships	100
tax and repairs	86
Salary of Miss J. Palacios	500
ırships	150
uato, Salary of Miss M. A. oore	750
itory supplies	100
	$3,070

SUMMARY.

ndia	$ 7.560
Vest India	1.404
	1,030
ndia	2,025
	350
a	1,423
	2,320
apan	782
Japan	2,660
apan	280
China	5,980
ıina	670
China	215
v	1,951
ıa	1,275
a	325
	300
ımerica	2,603
	3,070
Total	$36,223
w College (conditional)	700
"	733
Japan, 20th Cent. T. O. 00-01	400
ı, China, 20th Cent. T. O. 01-02	28.25
d total	$38,084,25

NEW YORK BRANCH.

North India.

areilly—Kumaon District.

Tal, Bible-women	$ 25
Newman's Bible-woman	50
hat, Scholarships, 5 @ $20.	100
garh, Miss Annie Budden, lary	450
Hayes, salary	240
Oram, salary	200
ırships, 8 @ $20	160
ıns' Home (partial)	100
trial work	320
women	96
Newman's two Bible-omen.	100
Conference expenses	$ 17
Conveyance (half)	60
Itinerating	40
Repairs (half)	50
Debt in Pithoragarh work	300
	$2,133

Bareilly; Girl's Orphanage.

Bareilly, Miss Fannie English, salary	$ 650
Scholarships	1,755
First assistant	240
Second Assistant	220

City and Village Work.

City schools	133
Mohulla and Village work	165
Bible-women	160
Ten small homes for 10 Bible-women	100
Conveyances	120
Woman's Schools: teachers	120
Books and incidentals	12
Shahjahaupur, West, Bible-women.	60
Mrs. Neeld's itinerating	50
Shahjahaupur, East, Bible-women	56
Conveyance	33
4 city schools	33
Repairs	33
Widows	45
Katra, Bible-women and schools	48
Khera Bajhera, Bible-women and schools	33
Faridpur, Bible-women and schools	64
	$4,130

Garhwal District.

Pauri, Scholarships, 6 @ $20	$ 120
One medical scholarship	40
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman "Sarah"	50
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman "Eleanor Gill"	50
Medicine	25
	$285

Moradabad District.

Budaon, Miss Kate Curts, salary	$ 650
Moradabad, Scholarships, 3 @ $20	60

Evangelistic work (Miss Means).

Conveyance.	90
Bible-women	140

District Work.

Krakrala, Bible-women	$ 92
Binawar, Bible-women	80
Ujhnai " "	80
Dataganj " "	85
Bhamora " "	64
Aonla " "	132
Bilsi " "	106
Bisauli " "	128
Bijnour, One scholarship	20
	$1,727

Pilibhit District.

Pilibhit, Bible-women and teachers	$ 200
Fatehganj, Bible-women and teachers	200
Mirganj, Bible-women and teachers	80
Shahi, Bible-women and teachers	100
Bisalpur, Bible-women and teachers	60
Nawabganj, Bible-women and teachers	40
Puranpur, Bible-women and teachers	48
Rampur, Bible-women and teachers	60
Sirauli, Bible-women and teachers	80
Baheri, Bible-women and teachers	100
Itinerating	82
	$1,000

Hardoi District.

Hardoi, Scholarships, 15 @ $20	$ 300
Bible-women	114
Mrs. Tupper's itinerating	20
House rent	6

Circuit Work.

Sandila, Bible-women and teachers	44
Safarpur, Bible-women and teachers	36
Sande, Bible-women and teachers	48
Unao, Bible-women and teachers	96
Pahani, Bible-women and teachers	48
Bilgram, Bible-women and teachers	75
Milawan, Bible-women and teachers	52
Shababad, Bible-women and teachers	132
Roofing school building	400
	$1,371

Oudh District.

Lucknow, Bible-woman, Caroline Richards	$ 60
Conveyance	140
Bible-women	84
Sitapur, Miss Ida G. Loper, salary	650
Scholarships, 8 @ $20	160
Bible-woman, Georgiana Dempster	40
	$1,134

Gonda District.

Gonda District, schools	$ 44
Conveyance	53
Itinerating	20
Bahraich, Bible-women and teachers	$ 116
Kaisarganj, Bible-women and teachers	26
Bhinga, Bible-women and teachers	63
Naupara, Bible-women and teachers	40
Ellenpur and *Mankapur*	160
	$522
North India, Total	$12,477

North West India.

Allahabad District.

Allahabad, Scholarships 8 @ $15	$ 120
Assistant	200
	$320

Cawnpore District.

Girls Boarding School.

Scholarships, 33 @ $25	$ 500
Assistant (half)	110
District Bible-women, 16 @ $25	400
Itinerating	34
District and Evangelistic work	20
High school, Two Scholarships	72
	$1,136

Meerut District.

Girls Boarding School.

Meerut, Scholarships, 6 @ $15	$ 90
Bible-women, 8 @ $25	200
Itinerating	50
Evangelistic work	83
	$423

Muttra District.

Muttra, Scholarships 13 @ $15	$ 200
Six village women	96
Brindaban, Bible women	90
Agra, City work, assistant	240
Bible-women	80
Conveyance	67
Wheel tax and Jinrickshaw	24
Repairs and Day School	77
	$874
North West India, Total	$2,753

Bombay Conference.

Bombay District.

Bombay, Evangelistic work, new worker in Mrs. Fritchley's work	$ 280
Mrs. Bhimjibhoy	160
Mrs. Shautibai David	140
Emilybai Abraham	80
Mrs. M. Nathan (replacing Katiza Sultan)	68
Bible-women and Conveyance	240

Taxes and Insurance (half)....	$ 110
Scholarships, 38 @ $20.....	760
Furniture	100
Miss Christina H. Lawson, salary	650
Miss Elizabeth Nichols, salary and home passage	675
Miss Helen Robinson, outfit, passage and salary	1,000
ɔona, Taylor High School.	
Miss Martelle Elliott, salary and home passage	675
Miss Estelle Files, salary.....	325
Scholarships, 10 @ $20	200
Bennie Cummings with Rev. D. O. Fox.....	25
Taxes (half)	50
	$5,538

Central Provinces District.

arsinghpur, Bible-women and Conveyance, Miriam, Sutnee and Phulibai	$ 192

Gujarat District.

hmedabad, Bible-women.....	$ 72
aroda, Scholarships, 15 @ $20..	300
	$564
Bombay, Total	$6,102

South India Conference.

Hyderabad District.

'yderabad, Zenana Assistant (partial).....	$ 80
ecunderabad, Bowenpalli school	80
	$160

Madras District.

'olar, Zenana Assistant, Miss Bertha Sherwood.....	$ 200
Munshi	19
2 Bible-women	26
Scholarships, 18 @ $20	360
Widows	160
Iadras, Taxes	100
Scholarships, 65 @ $20.....	1,300
Miss Chattelier.....	180
Munshi	20
3 City and 3 Village schools....	468
Matron	200
enana Work, Miss Murray.. ..	220
Bible-women	120
Conveyances	220
	$3,593

Raichur District.

:holarships, 20 @ $20	$ 400
Bible-women	100
Conveyance	100
Miss Dickson	202
	$802
Total.....	$4,555

Building in Raichur.....	$ 1,000
From East German Conference for Home in Raichur.... ..	1,000
South India, Total.....	$6,555

Bengal Conference.

Asansol District, One scholarship	$ 15

Balpur District.

Mrs. Liedeu in charge; Two Bible-women.....	$ 88
One teacher.....	40
Village schools	12
Two Jhees.....	28
Repairs	12
Bullock, cart and man for village work.....	48

Calcutta District.

Bengali work, for Mrs. Lee:	
Bible-women, 2 @ $50; 2 @ $32...	$ 164
Shorola $25, Zimree $15.....	40
Scholarships, 4 @ $25, Cent. N.Y.	100
" 3 @ $25, N. Y. East	75
Calcutta Girls Orphanage, Miss Stumpf orphans, five @ $40	200
Deaconess Home Rent (half)...	400
" Miss E. Maxey, salary	335
Hindustani work, Mrs. Robinson	
Bible-woman	40
Rent for school room.....	24
Teacher	40
Pakur, on Orphanage Building..	70
" Scholarships, 9 @ $20.....	180
Tamluk, School work	
Miss Jennie Moyer (Phila Br. 50)	500
For Building, (Central N. Y.) ..	900
Bengal, Total	$3,311

Burma Conference.

Rangoon, Emma Kunzl, scholarship	$ 80

Malaysia Conference.

Kwala Lumpor, Mrs. Mary Meek, salary	$ 425
Vernacular Teacher	48
Scholarships.....	40
Finance Com. and Conf. transit	57
Contingencies	30
Malaysia, Total.....	$600

Philippines.

Deaconess Home in Manila.....	$780

North China Conference.

Peking, Mrs. C. M. Jewell, salary	$ 650
" " pony...	50
Mrs. Gamewell's incidentals, bath-room and windmill ...	350

Scholarships, 20 @ $30	$ 600
Bible-woman	40
Tientsin, Boarding school	
Scholarships, 5 @ $30	150
Tsunhua, Boarding school	
Scholarships, 11 @ $30	330
Bible-woman	40
North China, Total	$2,210

Central China Conference.

Chinkiang, Miss Lucy Hoag, salary	$ 600
Scholarships, 14 @ $25	350
Medical work	150
Katie (by Montclair)	35
Nanking, Scholarships, 2 @ $25	50
Wuhu, Miss Emma Mitchell, salary	600
Incidentals	150
Bible-woman	40
6 Day schools @ $40	240
House rent for Missionary	125
Itinerating	50
Gateman	25
Kiu Kiang, Miss Carrie J. Dreibelbies	600
Incidentals	150
Scholarships, 12 @ $25	300
Day schools, 4 @ 40	160
Bible-women, 2 @ 40	80
Nanchang, School desks	250
School appliances	50
Central China, Total	$4,005

Foochow Conference.

Foochow District, Woman's school (partial)	$ 150
Insurance	15
Bible-women	100
Girl's Boarding School, Scholarships, 8 @ $20	160
Miss Florence Plumb, salary	600
Incidentals	150
Miss Phebe Wells, salary	600
Orphanage, 8 @ $30	240
Debt to Mrs. Breuster	200
	$2,215

Ming Chiang District.

Dr. Mary E. Carleton, salary	$ 600
Incidentals	150
Medical students	50
Watchman	25
One orphan	30
Medical work	450
To finish building and furniture	650
	$1,955

Kucheng District.

Miss Marguerite E. Glenk, salary	$ 600
Incidentals	150
Woman's school (half)	150
8 Bible-women	200
8 Day schools and traveling	$ 200
Girls Boarding School, 5 @ $20	100
Furniture for Home (half)	50
Insurance	40
	$1,490

Iong-bing District.

Miss Allie Linam	$ 600
Training school	100
Rent	50
Publishing Conference minutes	25
	$775
Foochow Conference, Total	$6,435

Hing Hua Conference.

For Sieng In Building, from East German Conference	$370

Korea.

Seoul, Ewa HaKtung, Scholarships, 14 @ $40	$ 560
Erumun Teacher, G. H. Moon	60
Chong Dong, Bible-woman, Theresa	50
Bible-woman, Delia	50
Woman's Hospital, In-patients (partial)	125
Fuel	175
Repairs	100
Drugs and instruments	250
Dr. Mary Cutler	700
East Gate, Repairs on Scranton Home	25
Tai Sung, Bible-woman, Sarah	50
" " Hannah	50
" " Alice Barr	50
" " Melissa	50
Day school	50
Muchinai Day school	50
Coolie (Miss Hammond)	50
Fuel	75
Miss Hammond, salary	600
Incidentals	150
Itinerating	75
Chemulpo, Bible-woman, Helen	50
" " Helena	50
Day school	50
Miss Lulu Miller, salary	600
Incidentals	150
Itinerating	50
Gateman (half)	25
Pyeng Yang, Hospital Dispensary Assistant	100
Dispensary Bible-woman	50
Bible-woman, Susan	50
Repairs	50
Fuel	150
Blind Class	60
Blind Girl, Pongnai	40
In-patients	100
Dr. Rosetta S. Hall, salary	700
Miss Ethel M. Estey, salary	600
Incidentals	150
Miss Henrietta Robbins	550
Itinerating, Miss Estey and Dr. Hall	200

Chingnampo, Bible-woman, Dora	$ 50
School building	100
Finishing Pyeng Yang Home (Phila 500)	500
General expenses, freight and duty (half)	50
Printing Annual Report	25
Medical traveling	50
Korea, total	$7,895

Japan.

North Japan, Hakodate District.

Caroline Wright Memorial School.

Miss Minnie S. Hampton, salary	$ 600
Incidentals	150
School ground rent	65
" insurance	90
" repairs	100
Scholarships, 15 @ $40	600
Teachers, Chinese, Mr. Kanemitsa Uno	300
Teacher, Yamaka Hatsu	65
Matron, Saji San	87
Pupil Assistant, Matsui Kujo	60
" " Aogi Taye	60
Industrial school teacher	60
Rent	25
City Evangelistic work, Bible-woman and teachers, rent	40
Mr. Yamaka, salary	72
Ishizuka Yoshi, salary	43
Travel, Tracts and City work	25
	$2,442

Hirosaki District.

Hirosaki, Girls' school—Teachers.	
First and Second grades, assistant	$ 60
Eighth grade, teacher	270
Sewing, teacher	100
Assistant Sewing teacher	75
" " "	60
Drawing teacher	60
Evangelistic work, Bible-woman at Aomori	72
Nurse Girls' School, teacher	30
" " " rent and supplies	25
Yoshida Children's Meetings	30
Monthly Meetings (travel)	30
	$812
North Japan, total	$3,254

Central Japan.

Sendai, Bible-woman, Mrs. Hirabayashi	$ 72

Tokyo District.

Aoyama, Jo Gakhin, insurance	$ 150
Scholarships, 4 @ $40	160
Harrison Memorial Industrial School.	
Scholarships, 2 @ $40	80
Tokyo, Bible-woman	$ 72
Yatsuya, Bible-woman	72
Okuba, travel	16
Books and tracts	25

Yokohama District.

Higgins Memorial Training School.	
Two scholarships	$ 80
Oiso, Bible-woman	72
Literary work, Tokiwa, &c.	150

Nagoya District.

Sieryu Jo Gakko, Miss Anna P. Atkinson, salary	$ 600
Incidentals	150
Teachers, Chinese, Japanese (half)	125
Teachers, Intermediate department	160
Teacher's assistant	75
Support of Haru Ichiku	40
Bible-women, second church	72
District travel	70
Central Japan, total	$2,241

South Japan Conference.

South Kiushiu, Kajoshima, Miss Jennie M. Gheer, salary	$ 600
Incidentals	150
Assistant	50
Mrs. Oshima, Kumamoto	125
Mrs. Kubo, Kagoshima	55
Mrs. Kawakubo, Kagoshima	100
Mrs. Yamada, Kokubu	85
Mrs. Morioka, Kagoshima	85
Mrs. Tokunaga, Nagasaki	55
Loochoo Islands, Mrs. Hori and two assistants	150
Sunday school, rent and supplies	50
Rent of house and taxes	200
District travel and city work	300
Miss Lida B. Smith, home salary	300
Nagasaki, Kwassui Jo Takko, teacher, Japanese literature	180
Scholarships, 15 @ $40	600
Fukuoka, Ei Wa Jo Gakko, scholarships, 2 @ $40	80
South Japan, total	$3,165
Japan, grand total	$8,660

Mexico.

Mexico City, Seven scholarships @ $50	$ 350
Nature professor	240
French teacher (half)	90
Insurance	45
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman	50
Pachuca, Miss Eleazer Perez	200
Miss Maria Olivarez	174
3 scholarships @ $50	150
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman	50

Puebla, Miss M. Tovar	$ 150
Miss Manriquez	180
Matron	180
4 scholarships @ $50	200
Repairs	80
Mexico, total	$2,139

South America.

Buenos Ayres. House rent	$ 700
Miss Eleanora Le Huray, salary	600
Incidentals	150
Assistant teacher	400
Bible-woman	100
Servants	275
Taxes and repairs	200
Physician	75
School supplies	200
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman	50
Scholarships, 12 @ $83.37	668
Matron's assistant	50
Montevideo, Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman	50
Debt on building	600
Peru, Teacher	400
Passage out, Miss Elsie Wood, &c	400
Total for South America	$4,918

Bulgaria.

Loftcha, Miss Slavka Getchova	$ 175
Scholarship	40
Taxes	25
Bulgaria, total	$ 240

Italy.

Rome, Miss Ida M. Bowne, home salary	$ 350
Miss Tognotti, Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman	70
Isabel Clarke, Crêche	150
Via Garabaldi Orphanage, 5 @ $50	250
Sewing teachers	125
Matron and assistant	200
Crandon Hall, Mary Barratt	100
Pisa Bible-woman, Miss Biondi	125
Italy, total	$1,370

Totals.

Africa	$ 600
North India Conference	12,477
Northwest India "	2,753
Bombay "	6,102
South India "	6,555
Bengal "	3,311
Burma "	80
India total	$31,278
Malaysia	$ 600
Manilla	780
North China Conference	2,210
Central " "	4,005
Foochow "	6,435
Hing Hua "	370
China total	$13,020
Korea	$ 7,895
North Japan Conference	3,254
Central " "	2,241
South " "	3,165
Japan total	$8,660
Mexico	$ 2,139
South America	4,918
Bulgaria	240
Italy	1,370
Grand total	$71,500

PHILADELPHIA BRANCH.

North India.

Lobha, Bible-woman	$ 25
Pithoragarh	80
Woman's Home	50
Bareilly, Orphanage	200
Students' Wives Scholarships	96
Kindergarten	72
Paori, Miss T. J. Kyle, salary	650
First Assistant	240
Scholarships	300
Medical Scholarship	40
Three Village Schools	96
Bijnour, Scholarships	80
Lucknow, Woman's College Med. and Doctor	125
City Schools and Conveyance	133
Gonda, First Assistant, Miss Edwards	200
Bible-women	136
Conveyance	80
New Conveyance	100
Building	200
Balrampur, Evangelistic work	160
North India, Total	$3,063

North West India.

Allahabad, Assistant	$ 140
Bible Readers	200
Itinerating and Rickshaw	50
Scholarships	90
Cawnpore, Bible Readers	88
Scholarships	280
Interest on debt	120
Muttra, Bible-women and Itinerating	350
Agra, Medical Home	340
Lahore, Scholarships	90
North West India, Total	$1,748

South India.

derabad, Scholarships	$ 100
ible-women	190
ar, Miss Eva Peters, (partial)	60
illage Schools	80
holarships	80
chur, Scholarships	40
South India, Total	$550

Bombay.

nbay City, Miss Forbes, salary	$ 240
alpur, City Schools	80
hota Chindwar School	72
iss L. Heafer, salary	650
oda, Miss M. Williams, salary	650
iss S. B. Turner, salary and passage	850
iss Nunan, salary	240
econd Assistant	220
atron	200
ent and Taxes	668
holarships	1,800
istrict Training School	500
ummer School	75
Bombay Total	$6,245

Bengal.

zaffarpur, Scholarships	$ 120
iss Moyer, salary, (partial)	50
Bengal Total	$170

Burma.

ndaung, Miss C. J. Illingworth, salary	$ 600
holarships	120
Burma Total	$720

Malaysia.

gapore, Scholarships	$ 180
rs. Jones, salary	180
iss Fox, "	180
rs. Tien Piet, salary	72
ible-woman	72
ontingencies	50
Malaysia Total	$734

North China.

ing, Scholarships	$ 120
ntsin. Memorial School Scholarships	360
ible-woman	40
ate Keeper	40
n Tung, Dr. R. R. Benn, salary	750
ospital expenses and drugs	400
epairs	50
North China Total	$1,760

Central China.

Chin Kiang, Miss Laura M. White, salary aud traveling	$ 750
Scholarships, (4)	100
Evangelistic work	25
Kin Kiang, Scholarships	175
Bible-woman	40
Central China Total	$1,090

Foochow.

Foochow, Conference Seminary	$ 100
Siang-Au Medical Students	80
Dr. Hu King Eng, salary	450
City Hospital expenses	500
City Hospital assistant	45
Repairs	50
City Hospital Medical Students	40
Property Watchman	25
Orphanage	120
Ku Cheng, Bible-women	130
Scholarships	100
Foochow Total	$1,640

North Japan.

Sapporo, Bible-Woman	$ 72
Hakodate, Miss A. Dickerson, salary	700
Miss F. Singer, salary	750
Ground rent	27
Insurance	15
Repairs	50
Scholarships	360
Kindergarten teacher	144
Kindergarten assistant	72
Blind school	150
Hirosaki teacher, first and second grades	65
Repairs	25
Miss E. J. Hewett, salary	750
Total	$3,180

Central Japan.

Tokyo, Scholarships, Aoyama	$ 480
Pupil assistant, Aoyama	60
Miss M. A. Spencer, salary	700
Day school visitor	72
" " travel	40
Asakusa Day school	400
Bible-woman	72
Mizukaido, Bible-woman	72
Yokaichiba, Bible-woman	30
Travel of District Superintendent	100
Yokohama, Miss A. B. Slate, salary	550
Chapel organ	50
Nagoya, Nishio Bible-woman	72
Sending new missionary	400
Tokyo, Special teacher	250
Tokiwa	50
Total	$3,398

South Japan.

Nagasaki, Scholarships	$ 200
Fukuoka, Bible-woman, Mrs. Takamori	90
Total	$290

Korea.

Seoul, Scholarships	$ 240
Chong Dong, Bible-woman Hannah	50
Hospital attendants	150
Insurance	20
Bible-woman, Mary Whang	60
Dr. Esther Pak, salary	240
Tal Sung, Bible-woman, Mrs. Ni	50
Bible-woman's training school	225
Gateman	50
Miss N. Pierce, salary	750
Miss Pierce, itinerating	75
Pyeng Yang, Kang Syo, day school	50
Bible-woman	50
Bible institute	15
Pong Nong Dong day school	50
Completion of home	500
Total	$2,575

Italy.

Rome, Crêche (partial)	$ 100
Scholarships	200
Total	$300

Bulgaria.

Loftcha, Teacher Gatsa Lookanova	$ 175
Hotanza, Teacher	80
Bible work	100
Total	$355

Mexico.

Mexico City, Miss Alice W. Kurtz, salary	$ 750
Scholarships	250
Miss Luz Aguilar	240
Matron, Miss Biviano Gezman	210
Treasurer's expenses	50
San Vincento, Teacher, rent and school supplies	200
Puebla, Miss A. R. Limberger, salary	750
Miss C. M. Purdy, salary	750
Teacher, Miss Duarte, salary	240
Bible-woman	105
Scholarships	250
Building Dormitories	300
Tetela, Teacher	150
Guanajuato. Miss E. M. Dunmore, salary	750
Water tax and repairs	80
First assistant	206
Scholarships	100
Total	$5,381

South America.

Buenos Ayres, Assistant teacher	$ 200
Scholarships	83
Rent	100
Total	$383
Conditional	$418
Total	$34,000

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SUMMARY.

North India Conference	$ 3,063
North West India Conference	1,748
South India	550
Bombay	6,245
Bengal	170
Burma	720
Malaysia	734
North China	1,760
Central China	1,090
Foochow	1,640
North Japan	3,180
Central Japan	3,398
South Japan	290
Korea	2,575
Italy	300
Bulgaria	355
Mexico	5,381
South America	383
Conditional	418
Total	$34,000

BALTIMORE BRANCH

North India.

Naini Tal, Assistant's Salary	$ 120
Teachers	25
Conveyance	33
Dwarahat, Scholarships	48
Itinerating	25
Bible-Women	60
Pithoragarh, Bible-Women	80
Moradabad, Scholarhips	140
Sambhal District, Bible Women	44
Itineratins	12
Bareilly, Orphans	140
Lucknow, R. E. Robinson's Salary	550
Isabel Hart Scholarship	26
Repairs	300
Gonda, Scholarships	135
Conveyance	33
Total	$1,771

Bombay Conference.

Bombay, Scholarships	$ 120
Boona, Frederick Rice Memorial School	100
Medical Work	120
Three Girls in training	120
Total	$460

North West India.

utra, Bible-women	$ 80
hree girls in training	120
onveyance	33
garh. Evangelistic work	120
iss Gallimore's Home Salary	150
Total	$503

South India.

ipur, House rent	$ 160
irst assistant	240
latron	200
onveyance	60
ible readers and teachers	60
rphanage	180
ome for missionary	2,500
rs. Gilder's itinerating	100
oncha. Conveyance	30
ible-women and teachers	50
holarships	80
derabad, Miss Ross, salary	200
atron	100
izabeth Snyder school	80
holarships in boarding school	60
ar, Scholarships	200
iss Eva Peters	45
illage schools	80
dras, Miss Grace Stephens	325
ixes	100
rphans and scholarships	660
illage school (Guilford Ave.)	60
izabeth	56
ible-woman	60
oboonagam Annual	124
chur, Rent	270
holarship	100
Total	$6,870

Korea.

l, Scholarships	$ 280
atron	50
hool	40
hool	60
patients	20
ble-women and Day School	90
ss Lewis, salary	700
ss Lewis, itinerating	50
Total	$1,290

North Japan.

odate, Scholarships	$ 160
saki, Bible-women	72
Total	$232

South Japan.

saki, Scholarships	$ 200
mary teachers	50
Total	$250

Central Japan.

Tokyo, Scholarships	$ 240
Industrial School	40
Teacher, penmanship	50
Teacher, embroidery	65
Miss Bender's salary	600
Miss Bender's incidentals	150
Yokohama, Fuel and lights	50
Poor school	120
Day school visitor	50
Bible-woman	72
Miss Lewis' salary	600
Miss Lewis' incidentals	150
Miss Lewis' travel	50
Miss Draper's mothers' meeting	40
Nagoya, Insurance	75
Assistant	75
Total	$2,427

North China.

Peking, Scholarships	$ 180
Tientsin, Hospital matron	40
Total	$220

Central China.

Chinkiang, Orphans	$ 50
Kiukiang, Scholarships	150
Total	$200

Foochow Conference.

Foochow, Girls' Boarding School	$ 240
Siang-au Hospital Bible-woman	24
Siang-au medical students	80
City Hospital expenses	100
City Hospital Bible-woman	24
City Hospital medical student	40
Mrs. Tippett's salary	550
Orphans	300
Ming-Chiang, Woman's Training School	175
Dr. Carleton's matron	50
Ku-cheng, Day schools and travel	200
Deaf and Dumb Dept.	20
Ngu-Chiang, Dr. Master's medical work	100
Publishing Conference Minutes	10
Official expenses	20
Total	$1,983

Hing-Hua Conference.

Hing-Hua, Hamilton girls' scholarship	$ 20
Juliet Turner woman's school	300
Siang-Iu, Scholarships (Isabel Hart School)	100
Total	$420

Italy.

Rome, Mrs. Mando's salary	$ 90
Crèche	30
Total	$120

Mexico.

Mexico City, Scholarship	$ 100
Grand total	$15,931
Conditional	650
	$16,581

SUMMARY.

North India	$ 1,770
Northwest India	503
South India	6,370
Bombay	460
North China	220
Central China	200
Foochow	1,933
Hing-Hua	420
Korea	1,280
North Japan	232
South Japan	250
Central Japan	2,427
Italy	120
Mexico	100

Conditional.

Manila property	$ 150
Raipur Home	500
Total	$16,935

CINCINNATI BRANCH.

North India Conference.

Naini Tal, Hospital, (conditional)	$ 1,000
Bareilly, Orphanage	300
Village work	240
Shahjahanpore, Scholarships	750
Assistant	160
Bible readers	56
Tilhar, Bible readers	96
Jalalabad, Bible readers	68
Pawayen, " "	68
Panahpore, " "	20
Mohamdi, " "	40
Moradabad, Miss Alice Means	325
Scholarships	280
Itinerating	100
First Assistant	200
Bijnour, Scholarships	200
Lucknow, Persian teacher	100
Secretary	200
First assistant	240
Second assistant	240
Scholarships	260
Repairs	200
New roof	1,000
Home for Homeless, Miss Hardie	325
Assistant	200
Matron and teachers	225
Sitapur, First assistant in Boarding School	220
Zenana assistant	200
Conveyance	120
Scholarships	800
Barabanki, Schools and Bible-women	$ 190
District work	350
Gondah, Miss Hoge, home salary and return	650
Scholarships	400
Repairs, conveyance and medicine	200
Miss Scott's salary	325
Total	$10,348

North West India Conference.

Cawnpore, First assistant	$ 200
Brindiban, Repairs	25
Rescue work	25
Conveyance	85

Medical.

Compounder and medicines	375
Lillian Hakim	150
Dispensary, servant and contingent	70
Dispensary building	2,000
Scholarships	230
Return of Miss Scott and salary	900
Total for Conference	$4,060

South India Conference.

Raipur, Miss Thomas	$ 220
Scholarships	120
Sironcha, Sending Missionary and opening work	2,000
Land tax	20
Vikarabad, Bible-women and teachers	100
Conveyance and matron	50
Scholarships	140
Land tax	60
Bangalore, Schools and Bible-women	250
Kolar, Orphans	340
Raichur, Miss Carver	650
Scholarships	20
Total for South India Conference	$3,970

Bengal Conference.

Calcutta, Schools and Bible-women	$ 900
Pakur Dispensary, Servants, Bible-women and conveyance	200
Orphans	280
Repairs	52
Tumlook, Miss Blair	325
Bible-women, teachers and rent	225
Building Fund	1,000
Dargieling, Miss Wisner's salary	600
Total for Bengal	$3,582

Malaysia.

Singapore, Miss E. Norris	$ 72
Scholarships	140
Kuala Lampur, Miss Anderson	450
Teacher	40
Conference expenses	30
Evangelistic work	100
Penang, Teachers and rent	300
Taiping, Sanitarium	500
Total for Malaysia	$1,632

Manila.

For new property	$830

Bombay Conference.

Poona, Schools and Evangelistic work	$ 860
Baroda, Orphans	240
Jabalpore, Dr. Annie Norton's salary	650
Medicines	300
Total for Bombay Conference	$2,050

North China.

Peking, Boarding school	$ 530
Home salary of Miss Shockley	350
Conditional	620
Total for North China	$1,500

Foochow Conference.

Miss Jewell	$ 750
Bible-women	120
Repairs	60
Miss Binafield	600
Scholarships	480
Medical Students	80
Total for Conference	$2,090

Hing Hua Conference.

Boarding school	$ 120
Leper day school	200
Bible-women	400
Day schools and traveling	500
Sieng Iu, Woman's school	$ 400
Day schools and traveling	420
Bible-women and "	400
Miss Lebeus, home salary	350
Total for Conference	$2,790

Korea.

Seoul, Scholarships	$ 480
Gateman	50
Books and stationary	50
Miss Lulu Frey, salary and incidentals	750
Baldwin Dispensary,	75
Gateman	50
Bible-woman	50
Repairs	75
East Gate, Dr. Ernsberger, salary and incidentals	750
Drugs and instruments	200
Dispensary assistant	75
Insurance	25
Day school	40
Chemulpo, Miss Hellman, salary, etc	750
Itinerating	50
Priscella, Bible-woman	50
Pieng Yang, Drugs and instruments	125
Bible-woman for Mrs. McGill	50
Insurance	60
Chong Dong, Hester, Bible-woman	50
Susanna, Bible-woman	50
Miss Edmunds	550
Total	$4,405

North Japan.

Miss Bing's home salary	$ 350
District Bible-women	72
Traveling expenses of District Sup't	100
For Ladies' Home	1,500
Hakodati, Scholarships	160
Total for North Japan	$2,182

Central Japan.

Tokyo, Scholarships	$ 200
Sunday school work	30
Matron	48
Teacher of drawing	60
Etiquette and sewing	132
Harrison Memorial Sewing teacher	65
Nagoya, Teacher of drawing	150
Literary work	50
Total for Central Japan	$735

Southern Japan.

Kinshiu Jo Gokko, Miss Russell's salary	$ 750
Miss Young, salary	750
Miss Redwell, "	750
Science teacher	200
Translation	150
Chinese literature	75
Scholarships	560
Ground rent	175
Insurance	175
Dispensary	100

Art department	$ 250
Industrial department	120
Repairs	250
Painting house	300
Total	$4,605

North Kushiu.

Miss Leonore Seeds	$ 700
District travel and city work	100
Total	$800

Bible-Women.

Mrs. Takamori—Fukuoka	$ 90
Mss. Kato—Hakato	90
Mrs. Saruta—WakaMetzu	100
Miss Omura—Kitakati	100
One new Bible-Woman	65
Total	$445

South Kiushiu.

Two Kumomota B. Women	$190

Eima Jo Gokko.

Scholarships	$ 160
Teachers	800
Repairs	120
Insurance	120
Painting house	200
Total	$1,400
Total for Southern Japan	$7,440

Mexico.

Mexico City, Miss Ayers	$ 750
Miss Carreon	250
Miss Velacco	240
Scholarships	240
Porter	210
Repairs	170
French teacher	90
Street and water tax	140
Puebla, Miss Palacois	500
Music teacher	120
Porter	140
Taxes	240
School supplies	180
Repairs	100
Orizaba, Miss Ernestina Sanchez	200
School supplies	170
Total for Mexico	$3,740
Total for Italy	350
Total for Africa	300

SUMMARY.

North India Conference	$10,348
Northwest India Conference	4,060
South India Conference	3,970
Bengal Conference	3,582
Malaysia Conference	$ 1,632
Manila	830
Bombay	2,050
North China	1,500
Foochow	2,090
Hing Hua	2,790
Korea	4,405
North Japan	2,182
Central Japan	735
South Japan	7,440
Mexico	3,740
Italy	350
Africa	300
Total	$52,234

NORTHWESTERN BRANCH.

North India.

Dwarahat, Assistant	$ 160
Scholarships	200
Bible-women	60
Pithoragarh, Medical assistant and medicines	200
Woman's Home	50
Fourth assistant	210
Bible-woman	30
Scholarships	360
Pauri, Second assistant	220
Scholarships	200
Medical scholarships	40
Bible-women	350
Medical woman	40
Medicines and itinerating	100
Bareilly, Scholarships	525
Dr. Lewis	650
Assistant	200
Medical work	500
Medical training-class	120
Support of six beds	120
Bible-woman	30
Moradabad, Second assistant	240
Scholarships	300
Training class	80
Circuit and village work	520
Mrs. Core's itinerating	35
Budaon, Second assistant	180
Scholarships	225
Schools and village work	350
Bijnour, First assistant	240
Scholarships	225
Bible-women	95
Lucknow, Miss Singh	650
Miss Brouse	650
Miss Manson	300
Miss Newton, home salary	300
Third assistant	40
Winslow scholarships	275
Blind women	75
Evangelistic Band	25
Organ for Isabella Thoburn College	100
Isabella Thoburn College	1,000
Gonda, Scholarship	20
Assistant	240
	$10,530

Northwest India.

, 2 scholarships, 1 orphan-	
; ...	$ 3,200
's	20
rial Home scholarships	795
rs	495
Matthews	325
Murray	220
ad, Scholarships	525
re, Mrs. Worthington	325
ent and taxes	50
rships	450
e and mohulla work	225
hools	70
hahr, Bible readers	525
ase of conveyance	150
Land rent and repairs	100
h scholarships	180
is and incidentals	80
stani scholarships	345
l assistant	200
	250
Scholarship	20
ible-women	60
, Miss Greene	600
lling expenses	300
ant	110
ure	70
Wright	325
lling expenses	300
	$10,315

South India.

Miss Fisher	$ 325
Woods	325
expenses	150
Grace Peters	260
lling expenses, Miss	
her	350
ant	180
n	200
i.	20
rships	900
st.	250
, Miss Doyle	260
. Doyle	260
rships	400
women	160
yance	100
	$4,140

Bombay.

, Miss Chovey	$ 160
ers	200
women	115
yance	100
n	225
rships	800
	115
Matron	100
ant	250
	50
ng Fund	1,000
ur, Miss Bennett	325
Miss Abbott	325
expenses	75
Furniture	$ 100
Assistance	180
Scholarships	500
Matron	180
Conveyance	225
	$5,025

Bengal.

Asansol, Miss Forster	$ 600
Miss Verneaux	160
Miss Moore	160
Miss Hoskings	160
Bible-woman	50
Scholarships	1,200
Calcutta, Orphanage	360
Bible-woman	40
Rent and incidentals	400
Darjeeling, Miss McKinley	600
Property	1,000
Mazefferpur, Scholarships	600
General work	650
New Missionary	1,000
Pakur, Travelling expenses, Miss Jacobsen	300
	$7,280

Burmah.

Rangoon, Miss Stahl	$600

Malaysia.

Singapore, Matron	$ 144
Scholarships	100
Contingencies	100
Interest	132
Taiping, Miss Jackson	600
Travelling expenses	50
Teachers	96
Scholarships	100
Manila, Property	2,100
	$3,422

North China.

Peking, Dr. Gloss	$ 650
Scholarships	420
Tientsin, Dr. Martin	750
Miss Martin	750
Hospital expenses	150
Assistant	40
Chair-hire and coolies	90
Tai An, Miss Steere	650
Boarding school	300
Day schools	50
Training school	30
Repairs	50
Purchase of Property	500
	$4,430

Central China.

Chin Kiang, Miss Robinson	$ 600
Scholarships	170
Bible-woman	40
Nanking, Miss Shaw	600
Miss Peters	600
Mrs. Davis	600

Miss Rowley	$ 600
Scholarships	450
Bible-women	80
Woman's school	260
Kiu Kiang, Miss Howe	600
Incidentals	150
Miss Merrill, home salary	250
Traveling expenses	300
Scholarships	300
Woman's training school	300
Dr Kahn	450
Medical Work	500
Miss Pierce	550
Furniture	100
Hospital	100
	$7,600

West China.

Chung King, Miss Decker	$ 300
Incidentals	150
Scholarships	260
Repairs and insurance	40
Painting Deaconess home	100
Insurance	50
Traveling expenses	30
Woman's training school	75
Bible-women	60
Medicines	350
Hospital beds	45
Instruments	150
Furniture and supplies	150
Chentu, Bible-woman	30
Scholarships	60
Building	500
Suiling, Day school	40
Bible-woman and traveling	45
	$2,445

Foochow.

Foochow, Day school and traveling	$ 375
Insurance	65
Boarding school scholarships	200
Orphans	270
Dr. Lyon	600
Incidentals	150
Hospital expenses	950
Repairs	150
Ming Chiang, Miss Peters	600
Miss Longstreet, home salary	175
Traveling expenses	300
Bible women	250
Training school	100
Day school and traveling	300
Insurance	50
Ku Cheng, Scholarships	240
Yeu Ping, Boarding school	400
Day schools	300
Bible-women	165
Training school	50
Ngu Cheng, Dr. Masters	600
Incidentals	150
Hospital expenses	600
Repairs and insurance	75
General, Publishing minutes	15
Boatman	30
Total	$7,160

Hing Hua.

Hing Hua, Scholarships	$ 135
Bible-women	175
Miss Wilson	450
Miss Westcott	450
Sieng Iu, Scholarship	20
New missionary	1,000
Ing Chung, Girls' boarding school	300
Day schools and training school	300
Bible-women	125
Building (conditional)	1,000
Total	$3,955

Korea.

Seoul, Scholarships	$ 280
Repairs, insurance and fuel	575
Visiting nurse, Cheng-dong	50
Pyeng Yeng, Day school	60
Total	$965

North Japan.

Hakodate, Scholarships	$ 240
Mathematics teacher	270
Preparatory teacher	115
Science teacher	115
Hirosaki, Kindergarten teacher	100
Odate poor school	30
Land	100
Total	$970

Central Japan.

Sendai, Miss Heaton	$ 700
District work	75
School building	500
Tokyo, Miss Alling	700
Repairs	150
Watchman	55
Scholarships	680
Chinese teacher	270
Literature teacher	100
Translation teacher	200
Music teacher	215
English teacher	200
Primary teacher	115
Pupil assistant	60
Special teachers	200
Painting	200
Fukagana day school	400
Nagoya, Mathematics teacher	200
Science teacher	200
Music teacher	110
Bible-woman, First church	70
Bible-woman, Toyahashi	70
City work	40
Repairs	60
Yokohama, Mrs. Van Petten	700
Fuel, lights and repairs	225
Books, tracts and travel	90
Scholarships	280
Theology teacher	180
Music teacher	80

Sewing and etiquette teacher	$ 90
Day schools	675
Bible-woman	80
Publication work	75
Total	$7,995

South Japan.

Nagasaki, Miss Melton	$ 600
Incidentals	150
Mathematics teachers	400
Scholarships	200
City work	150
Bible-school assistant	100
Primary teacher	50
Fukuoka, Miss Mabel Seeds	550
Scholarships	240
Bible-women, Mrs. Sakomoto	80
Bible-woman	65
Repairs	120
Yanagawa, Bible-woman, Mrs. Hara	90
Total	$2,795

Mexico.

Mexico, Scholarships	$ 300
Kindergarten teacher and supplies	500
Doctor and medicines	75
Miraflores, Sewing and drawing teacher	100
Rent, furniture and supplies	130
Pachuca, Miss Bohanon	600
Incidentals	150
Music teacher	165
Kindergarten teacher	175
Assistant	140
Miss Lopez	175
Miss Camarillo	175
Scholarships	150
School and dormitory supplies	200
Porter	115
New rooms	60
Apizaco, School and supplies	425
Puebla, Normal teacher	250
Kindergarten teacher	200
Scholarships	200
Dormitory supplies	25
Bath room	150
Panolta, School and supplies	225
Tetela, School and supplies	450
Guanojuato, Kindergarten and sewing teacher	110
Primary teacher	180
Scholarships	150
School supplies	85
Porter	90
	$5,750

South America.

Buenos Ayres, Rent	$ 500
Scholarships	166
Rosario, Scholarships	500
Teachers	900
Montevideo, Miss Hewitt	600
Incidentals	$ 150
Scholarships	200
Taxes and repairs	300
Porter	100
Interest	230
Teachers	850
	$4,496

Italy.

Rome, Miss Vickery	$ 600
Incidentals	150
Miss Odgers	600
Incidentals	150
Miss Beazell	600
Incidentals	150
Miss De Lord	500
Via Garibaldi, Scholarships	200
School teachers	550
Taxes and Insurance	200
Repairs	200
Crandon Hall, Scholarships	200
New kindergarten	200
Property	2,000
	$6,300

Bulgaria.

Loftcha, Miss Blackburn	$ 600
Miss Davis	600
Miss Raichera	330
Miss Dobreva	175
Miss Gradinarova	200
Scholarships	240
Traveling expenses	50
Incidentals and repairs	150
Books and apparatus	50
	$2,395

Switzerland.

Bible-women and work	$150

North Germany.

Schneeberg, Bible-woman	$ 50
Chemnitz, Bible-woman	50
	$100

Africa.

Quessua, Scholarships	$250
Contingent	$808
Grand total	$100,000

SUMMARY.

North India	$ 10,530
Northwest India	10,315
South India	4,140
Bombay	5,025
Bengal	7,280
Burmah	600
Malaysia	1,322
Philippines	2,100
North China	4,430
Central China	7,600
West China	2,445

Foochow	$ 7,160
Hing Hua	3,955
Korea	965
North Japan	970
Central Japan	7,995
South Japan	2,795
Mexico	5,750
South America	4,496
Italy	6,300
Bulgaria	2,395
Switzerland	150
North Germany	100
Africa	250
Contingent	932
Total	$100,000

DES MOINES BRANCH.

North India.

Pithoragarh, Scholarships	$ 400
Pauri, Scholars	280
Bareilly, Orphans	300
Budaon, Scholarships	440
Shajahanpore, Scholarships	340
Lucknow, Miss Sircar	300
Mrs. Thoburn's Munshi	10
Moradabad, Scholarships	160
Miss Frederick	220
Bijnour	45
Total for North India	$2,495

North West India.

Phalera, Miss Lawson	$ 600
Scholarships	40
Aligarh, Miss Bobenhouse	600
Bible-Women	450
Cawnpore, Miss Lauck	600
Scholarships	108
Khasgang, Bible-Women	800
Meerut, Second Assistant	180
Scholarships	360
Muttra, Miss Gregg	325
Assistant	220
Scholarships	80
Village women	96
Bible-women	150
Total North West India	$4,609

Bombay.

Basim, Miss Miller	$ 600
Jabalpur, Miss Hyde	600
Scholarships	4,400
Bible-women	200
Khandwa, Miss Elicker	600
Scholarships	1,600
Assistant	200
Bible-women	250
Building	1,000
Narsinghpur, Evangelistic	240
Godhra, Orphans	200
Bombay, Miss Davis, outfit and passage	350
Total Bombay Conference	$10,240

South India.

Hyderabad, Miss Wood	$ 600
Miss Evans	600
Miss Wells	600
Conveyance	200
50 Scholarships	900
Miss Partridge	260
Miss Best	200
Matron	100
Conveyance	50
Munshies	68
Miss Smith	200
Kolar, Miss Maskell	400
Conveyance	160
Bible-women	80
Miss Peters	75
Scholarships	360
Total South India	$4,853

Philippine Islands.

Manila, Home	$386

Burmah.

Rangoon, Miss Foster	$ 600
Miss Stockwell	600
Burmese school rent	100
Scholarships, (2)	40
Thandaung, Miss Perkins	600
Scholarships	280
Miss Rigby	600
Total	$2,820

Bengal.

Calcutta, Miss Henkle	$ 300
Miss Stumpf	500
Pakur, Scholarships	300
New building	200
Total	$1,300

North China.

Pekin, Miss Wilson, home salary	$ 350
Scholarships	360
Teintsin, Scholarships	360
Woman's work	40
Total, North China	$1,110

Central China.

Kinkiang, Dr. Mary Stone	$ 450
Medical	500
Scholarships	250
Furniture	100
Nan Chang, Miss Ogborn	600
Incidentals	150
Bible-women ($40)	80
Gateman	25
Miss Beard	550
Passage	350
Total, Central China	$3,055

West China.

Chung King, Miss Galloway	$ 300
Incidentals	150
Dr. Edmunds	300
Incidentals	150
Miss Manning	300
Incidentals	150
Medicine	175
Hospital beds (6)	90
Nurses	50
Furniture	150
Instruments	100
Scholarships	220
Itinerating	200
Conference expenses	25
Total	$2,360

Foochow Conference.

Foochow, Miss Wilkinson	$ 600
Incidentals	150
Scholarships	400
Bible-women	60
Orphans	60
Ngn Cheng, Miss Allen	600
Miss Trimble, home salary	350
Woman's school	400
Bible-women	336
Romanized school	200
Day school and travel	420
Girls' boarding school	900
Repairs	100
Insurance	35
Mabel Sia, passage	250
Total	$4,861

Japan.

Hakodati, Scholars	$ 120
Owuda San	123
Takenaka San	144
Assistant	115
Hirosaki, Miss Southard	600
Incidentals	150
Mi Kude	360
Assistant teacher	110

Evangelistic.

Evangelistic, Miss Griffiths	700
Kuroishi B. Woman, Miss Moto Ishezaki,	72
District superintendent	75
Sendai, Miss Phelps	600
Incidentals	150
Interest and taxes	80
Insurance	40
Rent	60
Repairs	30
Scholarships	300
Teachers and supplies	150
Yonezawa, B. Woman	30
Sakuyama, B. Woman	72
School building	500
Aoyama, Miss Daniel	600
Incidentals	150
Mathematics	$ 234
Scholarships	280
Tokiwa	50
Total for Japan	$5,895

Italy.

Rome, Orphanage	$200

Africa.

Quessua, Scholarship	$125

Mexico.

Scholarships	$ 200
Light	140
Ayapango, Miss Estrada	174
Assistant teacher	70
Supplies and rent	36
Bible-woman	70
Tezontepec, Teacher and supplies	300
Puebla, Miss Bumgartner	600
Incidentals	150
Scholarships	200
Orezaba, Rent	175
Total for Mexico	$2,115

SUMMARY.

North India	$ 2,495
Northwest India	4,609
Bombay	10,240
South India	4,853
Philippines	386
Burmah	2,820
Bengal	1,300
North China	1,110
Central China	3,055
West China	2,360
Foochow	4,861
Japan	5,895
Italy	200
Africa	125
Mexico	2,115
Total	$46,424
Contingent	$3,576
Grand total	$50,000

MINNEAPOLIS BRANCH.

North India.

Pithoragarh, Scholarships	$ 200
Bareilly, Scholarships	120
Bijnour, Two scholarships	40
Budaon, Scholarships	200
Gonda, Scholarships	100
Paori, Scholarships	120
Lucknow, Horse and gari	250
One scholarship	32
One share in the home	50
Total	$1,112

Bombay.

Three day schools	$ 150
Miss Thoy	220
Mrs. Vardon	125
Scholarships	240
Laknadan, Evangelistic	28
Jabulpur, One scholarship	20
Total	$783

Northwest India.

Ajmer, Sixteen scholarships	$ 220
Allahabad, Three scholarships	45
Cawnpore, Two scholarships	36
Muttra, One deaconess	300
Two teachers	60
Six scholarships	90
Four training scholarships	80
Punjab, Bible readers. Lahore. Patiala. Deoband.	300
Roorkee	160
Total	$1,291

South India.

Kolar, Five scholarships	$ 100
Two Bible-women	40
Total	$140

Malaysia.

Singapore, Miss Blackmore	$ 425
Miss Cody	425
Vernacular teacher	48
Repairs	100
Scholarships	280
Miss Buddery	150
Miss Janz	150
Chinnanchee	60
Miss Martha	60
Conveyance keep	120
New buggy	150
Training school teacher	60
Rent for training school	50
Two scholars in training school	40
Publishing minutes	20
Penang, Miss Martin's home coming	250
Miss Martin's salary	300
Miss Ida Ellis	425
Vernacular teacher	48
New missionary's traveling expenses	250
New missionary's salary	425
New missionary's vernacular teacher	48
House rent	400
Second standard teacher	180
Third standard teacher	120
Chinese Bible-woman	48
Delegate to conference	45
Conveyance keep	100
Twenty scholarships	$ 400
The C. S. Winchell Home (conditional)	4,000
Sanitarium (conditional)	1,000
Total	$10,177

Bengal.

Miss Alma Jacobson's salary	$ 325
School building and home	500
Five widows	50
Total	$875

Burmah.

Six scholarships	$120

Foochow.

Boarding school scholarships	$ 160
Romanized station class	100
One Orphan	30
Kucheng, Miss Rouse's salary	600
Incidentals	150
Girls Boarding school	560
Four day schools	100
Medical students	80
Bible-Woman	40
Deaf and dumb pupil	25
Repairs	30
Total	$ 1,875

Hing Hua.

Scholarships	$ 150
Evangelistic work	50
Sieng Iu, Miss Nicolaisen	450
Scholarships	200
Conference expenses	20
Furniture	100
Total	$970

Central China.

Chin-Kiang, Two scholarships	$ 40
One Orphan	30
Total	$70

West China.

Miss Christie Williams	$ 450
Two scholarships	40
One day school	50
Drugs and medicines	100
Support of beds	50
Hospital helpers	50
Conference expenses	25
Repairs	30
Total	$795

Central Japan.

Tokyo, Harrison Industrial, Home, Miss Ella Blockstock.	$ 600
Incidentals	150
Scholarships	400

Repairs	$ 100
Insurance	30
Teachers, Mathematics	45
Literature	70
Art	70
Drawn work	40
Cooking	80
Two assistants	75
Matron	50
Miss Baucus, work	20
New kitchen	300
Total	$2,030

North Japan.

Hakodati, Scholarships	$120

Bulgaria.

Scholarships	$ 40

Korea.

Bible-woman	$ 50
Scholarship	80
Native Teachers	60
Total	$190

SUMMARY.

North India	$ 1,112
North West India	1,291
South India	140
Bombay	783
Malaysia	10,177
Bengal	875
Burmah	120
Foochow	1,875
Hing Hua	970
Central China	70
West China	795
Central Japan	2,030
North Japan	120
Bulgaria	40
Korea	190
Italy, Crandon Hall, Rome	2,000
Total	$22,588

TOPEKA BRANCH.

North India.

Pithoragrah, Scholarships	$ 80
Bible-woman	30
Pauri, Scholarships	270
Bible-women	50
Budaon, Scholarships	120
Lucknow, Bible-women	110
Sitapur, Bible-women	150
Rae Bareili, Bible-women	250
Total	$1,060

North West India.

Ajmer, Scholarships	$ 900
City Evangelist	80
Bible-women	100
Phalera, Scholarships	600
Bible-women	150
Woman's school	100
Repairs	65
Aligarh, Bible-women	120
Cawnpore, Scholarships	$ 90
Meerut, Howard Plested School:	
Miss Livermore	600
Miss Winslow	600
Scholarships	825
Bible-women	500
Bulandshahr, Bible-women	100
Muttra, Miss McKnight	325
Scholarships	60
Agra, Medical Scholarship	40
Lahore, Two new Bible-women	40
Total	$5,295

South India.

Sironcha, Assistant	$ 200
Munshi	40
Conveyance	50
Raipur, House rent	160
Mrs. Gilder's itinerating	50
Bangalore, Rent	200
Conveyance	150
Bidar,	40
Kolar, Scholarships	240
Assistant	60
Total	$1,190

Bengal.

Calcutta, Beg Bagan	$ 220
Kidderpore	80
Pakur, New building	400
Total	$700

Burma.

Rangoon, Miss Stockwell	$ 600
Scholarship	40
Land rent	100
Total	$740

Malaysia.

Penang, Matron for Rescue Home	$150

Philippines.

Miss Spaulding, outfit, passage and salary	$ 800
Property and furniture	500
Total	$1,300

North China.

Tientsin, Scholarships	$ 210
Dr. Stevenson, passage and home salary	650
Drugs and instruments	150
Watchman	40
Total	$1,050

Central China.

Kiukiang, Scholarships	$ 200
Bible-woman	40
Chinkiang, Scholarships	100
Nanking, Bible-women	80
Itinerating	50
Total	$470

Foochow.

Foochow, Scholarships	$ 50
Ku Cheng, Scholarships	380
Bible-women	170
Total	$600

Hing Hua.

Miss Varney	$ 600
Scholarships	500
Total	$1,100

Japan.

Sapporo, Miss Imhof	$ 750
Rent	125
Bible-woman, Otaru	70
District S. S. rent and tracts	10
City work	10
Hakodate Scholarships	240
Music assistant	120
Sunday School rent	35
Muroran, Bible-woman	70
Yokohama, Scholarships	80
Tokyo, Scholarships	160
History teacher	225
Penmanship teacher	80
Nagoya, Miss Watson	700
Total	$2,075

Italy.

Rome, Scholarship	$100

South America.

Rosario, Scholarships	$ 400
Assistant	240
Repairs and taxes	200
School supplies	30
Furniture	50
Cook	180
Miss Swaney	750
Matron	450
New building	4,000
Total	$6,300

India.

Miss Montgomery, outfit, passage and salary	$ 800
Dr Tuttle, outfit, passage and salary	1,000
Contingent	440

Conditional.

Raipur, new building	1,000
Grand total	$8,240

SUMMARY.

North India	$ 1,060
North West India	5,295
South India	1,190
Bengal	$ 700
Burma	740
Malaysia	1,450
North China	1,060
Central China	470
Foochow	600
Hing Hua	1,100
North Japan	1,430
Central Japan	1,245
Italy	100
South America	6,300
Conditional	8,240
Total	$26,000

PACIFIC BRANCH.

North India.

Nynee Tal, Bible-woman	$ 50
Dwarahat, Scholars	22
Pithoragarh, Scholars	200
Pauri, Scholars	128
Bijnour Scholars	40
Bareilly, Scholars	100
Budaun Scholars	100
Gonda Scholars	150
Hardoi, Scholars	40
Sitapur, Scholars	80
Second assistant	170
Lucknow, Inspectress	60
Barabanki	50
Total	$1,220

North West India.

Ajmere, Miss Holman	$ 600
First assistant	200
Second assistant	120
Scholars	1,200
Repairs	50
Dr Edna Beck	575
Medicines	100
Itinerating	30
Conveyance	60
Bible Readers	100
Pharwa Assistant	110
Scholars	1,060
Wages	400
Bible Readers	75
Cawnpore, Scholars	225
Allahabad	75
Meerut, Bible woman	100
Rohtak, Bible woman	50
Mutra, Bible woman	60
Roorkee Bible Readers	80
Lahore, scholars	45
Miss Marks' home salary	300
Total	$5,725

Bombay.

Kampti, Mrs. Butterfield	$ 220
Bible-woman	160
Schools	170
Total	$550

Bengal.

Pakur, Scholars	$500

Burmah.

Rangoon, Girls' school	$ 280
Building debt	1,000
Burmese, Girls' school	200
Thandaung, Orphans	80
Total	$1,560

South India.

Madras, Scholars	$ 100
Kolar, Scholars	100
Total	$200

Central China.

Chinkiang, Dr. Taft's salary	$ 600
Medical work	100
Scholarships	100
Total	$800

Hing Hua.

Hing Hua, Scholarships	$ 90
Sieng Iu, Scholarships	90
Total	$180

Foochow.

Kucheng, Day schools	$ 200
Foochow, Orphans	60
Iongbing, Bible-women	100
Haitang, Bible-woman	70
Total	$430

North China.

Peking, Scholarships	$60

Japan Conferences.

Nagoya, Miss Holbrook's salary	$ 750
Bible-woman	70
Hakodate, Scholar	40
Hirosaki, Sunday schools	30
Yokahama, Bible-woman	30
Nagasaki, Scholars	80
Total	$1,000

Korea.

Seoul, Bible-woman	$ 50
Scholars	80
Total	$130

Africa.

Quessua, Miss Collins	$400

Norway.

Christiana, Bible-woman	$50

SUMMARY.

North India	$ 1,220
Northwest India	5,725
Bombay	550
Bengal	500
Burmah	1,560
South India	200
Central China	800
Hing Hua	350
Foochow	260
North China	60
Japan Conferences	1,000
Korea	130
Africa	400
Norway	50
Foochow Seminary Building	200
Contingent	995
Total	$14,000

COLUMBIA RIVER BRANCH.

North India.

Dwarahat, Scholarships	$ 32
Pithoragarh, Scholarships	48
Badaon, Scholarships	60
Bareilly, Scholarships	50
Lucknow, Mrs. Ward	160
Gonda, Native teacher and scholarships	90
Total for North India	$440

North West India.

Aligarh, Scholarships	$ 180
Muttra, Scholarships	45
Meerut, Scholarships	450
Total for North West India	$675

Bombay Conference.

Bombay, Scholarships	$ 100
Native teachers	60
Buroda, Orphanage	40
Godhra, Orphanage	30
Gujarat, Village work	900
Total for Bombay Conference	$1,130

Malaysia.

Singapore Miss Lilly	$ 425
Return passage	250
Conveyance	40
Kindergarten supplies	75
Scholarships	120
Bible training school	20
Miss Gomes	72
Total for Malaysia	$1,002

The Philippines.

Manila, Deaconess Home	$88

China.

Foochow, Scholarships	$40
Bible-woman	25
Miss Parkinson	600
Seminary	100
Scholarships	100
Building, (cond.)	1,0 0
Kucheng, Scholarship	20
Sieng Iu, Scholarships	40
Total for China	$1,925

Central Japan.

Yokohama, Scholarships	$ 80
Literary work	25
Tokyo, Industrial scholarships	120
Teacher in wood carving	35
Total for Central Japan	$260

North Japan.

Odate, Bible-woman	$ 30
Hakodate, Scholarships	80
Hirosaki, Kindergarten	50
Prize scholarship	40
Total for North Japan	$200

SUMMARY.

North India	$ 440
North West India	675
Bombay Conference	1,130
Malaysia	1,002
Philippines	88
China	1,925
Central Japan	260
Northern Japan	200
Incidentals	280
Grand total	$6,000

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1903.

	New England	New York	Philadelphia	Baltimore	Cincinnati	Northwestern	Des Moines	Minneapolis	Topeka	Pacific	Columbia River	Total
Africa		$600			$300	$250	$125			$400		$1,675
India. North India Conference	$8,260	12,477	$3,063	$1,770	10,348	10,530	2,495	$1,112	$1,060	1,220	$440	52,775
Northwest "	1,404	2,753	1,748	503	4,060	10,315	4,609	1,291	5,295	5,725	675	38,378
Bombay "	1,030	6,102	6,245	460	2,050	5,025	10,240	783		550	1,130	33,615
South India "	2,025	6,555	550	6,370	3,970	4,140	4,853	140	1,190	200		29,993
Bengal "	350	3,311	170		3,582	7,280	1,300	875	700	500		18,068
Burma "		80	720			600	2,820	120	740	1,500		6,640
Total for India	13,069	31,278	12,496	9,103	24,010	37,890	26,317	4,321	8,985	9,755	2,245	179,469
Malaysia Conference	1,423	600	734		1,632	1,322		10,177	150		1,002	17,040
Manila "	733	780			830	2,100	386		1,300		88	6,217
China. North China Conference	5,980	2,210	1,760	220	1,500	4,430	1,110		1,050	60		18,320
Central China "	215	4,005	1,090	200		7,600	3,055	70	470	800		17,505
West China "	670					2,445	2,360	795				6,270
Foochow "	1,951	6,435	1,640	1,933	2,090	7,160	4,861	1,875	630	460	1,925	30,960
Hing Hua "	1,303	370		420	2,790	3,955		970	1,100	350		11,258
Total for China	10,119	13,020	4,490	2,773	6,380	25,590	11,386	3,710	3,250	1,670	1,925	84,313
Korea	2,320	7,695	2,575	1,280	4,405	965		190		130		19,760
Japan. North Japan Conference	782	3,254	3,180	232	2,182	970	2,569	120	1,430	70	200	14,989
Central Japan "	3,060	2,241	3,398	2,427	735	7,995	3,326	2,030	1,245	850	260	27,567
South Japan "	280	3,165	290	250	7,440	2,795				80		14,300
Total for Japan	4,122	8,660	6,868	2,909	10,357	11,760	5,895	2,150	2,675	1,000	460	56,856
Mexico	3,070	2,139	5,381	100	3,740	5,750	2,115					22,295
South America	2,603	4,918	383			4,496			6,300			18,700
Bulgaria	325	240	355			2,395		40				3,355
Italy	300	1,370	300	120	350	6,300	200	2,000	100			11,040
Switzerland						150						150
South Germany												
North Germany						100						100
Norway										50		50
Conditional			418	650		932	3,576		3,240	995	280	10,091
	$38,084	$71,500	$34,000	$16,935	$52,004	$100,000	$50,000	$22,588	$26,000	$1,400	$6,000	$431,111

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We have traveled far from the day when that twelve-paged little paper came out in Boston, in June, 1869, with the ever-remembered and lamented Mrs. Warren as editor. In 1886, at Providence, R. I., some one said, in answer to the Macedonian cry from the German constituency, "Let us have a German Friend," and the *Frauen-Missions-Freund* was born. In 1890, at Wilkesbarre, Pa., another said, "Let us have a children's magazine," and the *Children's Missionary Friend* saw light. In 1894, in Washington, several said in chorus, "Let us have *Quarterlies*," and that beautiful, co-operative editorship that added twelve pages to the *Friend* was inaugurated. The same year saw the *Study*, that had been a part of the *Friend* since 1878, started as a separate periodical. It was not a Methodist voice, but a chorus of Christian voices that said, "Let us have a United Study of Missions," and 1900 saw the foremost of our plans inaugurated, that is blessing the new century by such a rousement in missionary study as those that are oldest never dreamed.

We came perilously near not falling in line in time with that, but who ever knew Methodist Episcopal women bringing up an inglorious rear? The first leaflets floated by us, but when the genuine work began it found us ready, and it is to the United Study of Missions we owe, I believe, through our awakened intellectual and spiritual sense, not only the wonderful advance sales of literature and our wide subscriptions, but our advances in receipts.

Last year's report, an artist would say, had a rather drab tone; this year's has, as you will note from the publisher's report, taken on another color. It is not far-sighted to take or lose heart from any single year's record, because the record for any single year is misleading; for five years it is leading.

TABLE FOR FIVE YEARS.

	1897.	1902.		
ew England	2,376	2,166	Decrease,	210
ew York	2,904	3,232	Increase,	228
hiladelphia	1,930	2,534	"	604
altimore	775	871	"	96
incinnati	2,121	2,793	"	672
orthwestern	4,695	5,760	"	1,065
es Moines	1,778	2,486	"	708
linneapolis	400	727	"	327
opeka	791	1,338	"	537
acific	428	594	"	166
olumbia River	171	360	"	189
	19,026	23,532		

Only one branch marks a decrease, and in the order of largest umerical increase Northwestern leads with 1,065, but in ratio of mem-ers, little Columbia River, who has more than doubled her subscription st in five years, while Minneapolis follows hard after, with her one to very three. It is interesting to note that of the eleven branches, only hiladelphia and Topeka have made steady increase without a single pse for five years. All the rest read for five years with fluctuating gures, like a stream with reactionary eddies.

SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Fine as seems our record for 1901-1902, we have not yet begun to xhaust our means for obtaining subscriptions. Inequality of effort is a arked failing of our method. It is our own fault that every year does ot show increase. The Literature Committee began this year a plan to ecure the number of subscriptions by conferences, with number of embers in the conference, which will show up, and we hope close up a year or two this matter of unevenness.

The record of literature sales is a parallel :

	1897.	1902.
ew England—No record, probably	$ 100.00	$ 502.66
ew York	147.96	651.88
hiladelphia	142.97	584.82
altimore	173.67	664.63
incinnati	200.26	739.13
orthwestern	630.18	2,566.66
es Moines	331.59	1,032.62
inneapolis	106.49	298.53
opeka		605.78
acific (North and South)	34.38	341.31
olumbia River	54.67	149 96
	$ 2,047.67	$ 8,137,68

At the Ecumenical Conference, Dr. Strong, editor of the *Missionary Herald*, maintained that the cost of a missionary publication was as legitimate a demand on the missionary treasury as the support of any missionary. That is the correct position toward the general treasury of most missionary magazines, yet this board has always had a self-supporting, wage-earning, independently carried *Friend*, and this year, for the first time, sees all the periodicals on the same financially paying basis.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

The office is beset at stated intervals with requests for more home or more foreign contributions, according to the interest of the writer. Sometimes the same mail brings the opposing petitions. The record of the past year shows that we have reached an excellent standard in this regard :

Home contributions, 40.

India,	with	73	missionaries,	sends	19	contributions.
China,	"	62	"	"	22	"
Straits S.,	"	8	"	"	7	"
Japan,	"	30	"	"	11	"
Mexico,	"	7	"	"	1	"
Bulgaria,	"	2	"	"	2	"
South America,	"	7	"	"	2	"
Africa,	"	2	"	"	5	"
Italy,	"	4	"	"	1	"
Korea,	"	16	"	"	1	"
Burma,	"	5	"	"	2	"
Philippine Islands,	"	2	"	"	1	"
		186			74	

This makes no account of editorials, selections, reports and quarterlies, but is a record of contributed articles for 1901-1902. If letters of appreciation may be considered of weight, these contributions have been generally appreciated by our constituency, and the editor takes this opportunity to thank one and all for helping to make the *Friend* of the year a joy to her readers.

NEW FEATURES.

The new features of the year have been the page headed Office of the Literature Committee, and the Peking and Folts Fund columns. The first and last will be continued ; the Peking Fund closed with November. The College Girl's Series, begun last year has been continued this year, and is to end in 1903.

MAGAZINE FUND.

Nothing has succeeded better among our new enterprises than the Magazine Fund, which has advanced in five years from 25 to 100. We

hope in 1903 to put one of our popular magazines in the hands of every missionary.

A STANDARD BEARER COLUMN.

Everything that is alive and grows, connected with the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, is to have place in the *Friend*. Look out for the new Standard Bearer column in 1903. Office of the Literature Committee will occupy one column hereafter, making room for this cheery new column.

BOOK TABLE.

Our book table during the year has been especially rich from the fact that every year sees better books written in the interests of missions. Perhaps a half-dozen magazines have been added to our exchanges.

LITERATURE AT RAILROAD STATIONS.

One day the editor chanced to want a Standard Bearer, June number of the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, when she was delayed at the Boston South Union station. It occurred to her that of the thousands passing by that well-stocked bookstall in the station there must be many women interested in missions. Why not make an attempt to have their wants supplied, as well as meeting the less elevated tastes of her who buys "Jokes" or "Punch and Judy"? A simultaneous effort in a half-dozen of our large cities might prove rewarding. We have not yet half utilized advertising.

THE FUTURE.

The *Friend* proposes to uphold the highest standards of missionary interest:

1. To secure the best possible contributions from the best writers.
2. To be faithful to its constituency in preserving its best traditions and representing its most forward ideas.
3. To plead constantly and continuously for the best equipment on the part of missionaries sent to the foreign field, and their loyal support in the home field.
4. To stand for consecration of heart, mind and soul, scholarly, liberal spirit, judicious criticism, good manners, fair play and sound thought; to be honest, hopeful, kindly; to keep free of all pettiness, from all spirit of detraction; and, in short, to be a light that does not fail.

WHAT THE EDITOR WOULD LIKE NEXT YEAR.

1. 30,000 subscribers.
2. $75.00 for paid contributions.
3. A canvass of every church, member for member, for subscriptions.

4. A second trial of last year's plan that, so far as carried out, worked so successfully.

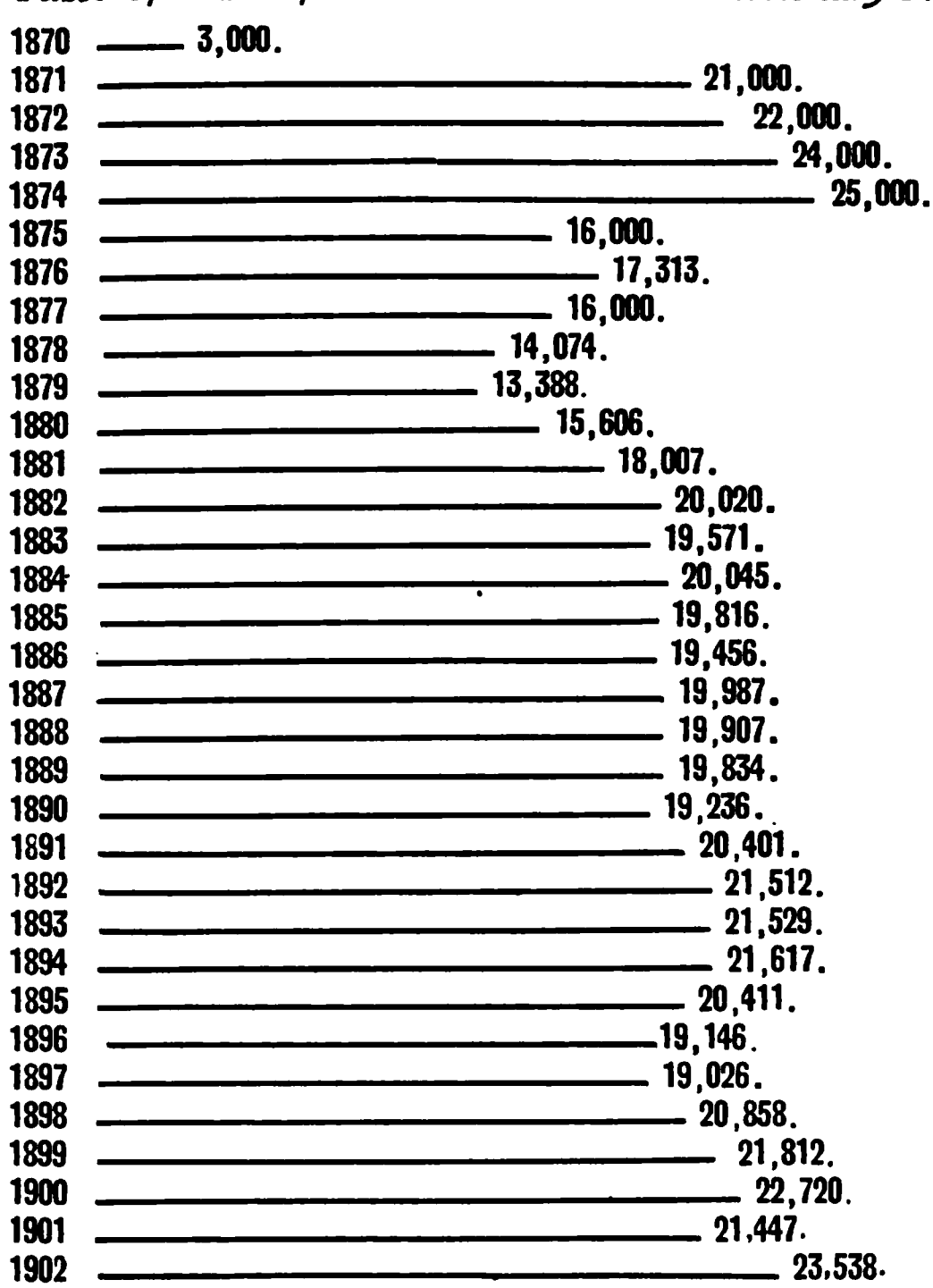
5. Continuation of the fashion of including in reports to our church magazines the number of subscriptions to the *Friend* taken at public meetings.

6. Joy in the *Friend* and helpfulness from every member.

It is a matter of rejoicing that narrow sectarianism is becoming impossible in religious journalism, but there is plenty of room for broad gauge, loyal, sweet-spirited church magazines, as our own magazine would demonstrate. Some day there may rise a missionary Carnegie who will endow missionary literature, but till that day every woman must be a personal endowment to her church literature, and every Woman's Foreign Missionary Society woman a subscriber to the *Woman's Missionary Friend*.

LOUISE MANNING HODGKINS.

Table of Subscriptions to the Woman's Missionary Friend from 1869—1902.



Children's Missionary Friend.

The *Children's Missionary Friend* this year reaches its thirteenth anniversary, but thirteen has not proven an unlucky number in its history, for as the publisher's figures announce, we have made a gain of 2,017 subscribers, giving us a total of 27,123, the largest number we have ever enrolled.

When we tell you that one of our brightest exchanges has but 7,521, you will see that we have reason to be grateful for the wider influence of our missionary paper upon the boys and girls of our beloved church.

With our increased subscription list you naturally look for better financial returns and are not disappointed, for the little *Friend* has again paid its own expenses and has a surplus of about $300.00.

We cannot say too much in praise of our missionaries on the field and at home, who have during the past year sent such rarely good contributions, often accompanied by photographs, which mean so much to our young readers. And even older people prize the clear and simple style in which our foreign workers write their stories and sketches. Surely we all owe a debt of gratitude to those whose pens, often guided by weary hands, give us these choice views of Oriental life.

The home side of our paper has also been well sustained, but we would welcome a larger variety of exercises, reports, suggestions, etc., than have been contributed the past year. Good ideas are too precious to be restricted in their circulation. If you have one, send it out to help another. Kind and appreciative words are never lacking on the part of our readers, and they are a wonderful inspiration to your editor. The highest praise was recently given by a little girl, who wrote: "I think the *Children's Missionary Friend* is the only paper there is!" Such messages, written by those whose hearts have been touched by the great missionary idea, are most cheering.

The children's special fund for building a home in Chemulpo, Korea, has not been as successful as was that for the Baroda Orphanage, owing to various misunderstandings on the part of those who should have reported to the paper; but we have been glad to account for gifts amounting to between $500 and $600.

Another beautiful idea which originated with Mrs. Lucie F. Harrison, was to have the Little Light Bearers, who became life members by the

payment of $10 each, appear upon their page of the paper. As a result, we have had already photographs of three baby faces, and there are many others to come.

Through the recommendations of a special committee on children's work, which was appointed one year ago, we hope to see still further improvements in the paper, as well as a general advance in unity of action and efficiency on the part of our children's missionary societies. We are on the threshold of a grand upward and onward movement to evangelize the "uttermost parts of the earth", and no one is too young to share in the enterprise. It is for us to so utilize our forces as to make them tell on the side of the overcomer. And to do this we must use the old, simple, educative methods which have always proven successful.

A minister in one of our western cities wrote us recently for specimen copies of the little *Friend*. They were about to build a new church edifice and he wanted the papers to put into the corner-stone with other church periodicals. This is the thought we would enforce, for we are laying corner-stones of child-character all the while; we must put the missionary thought and purpose and knowledge into the very early years, when the foundations are being laid. To do this in the best possible manner is the aim of the *Children's Missionary Friend*, and that it may be able "its calling to fulfill" it asks the co-operation of all missionary workers throughout our wide constituency.

MRS. O. W. SCOTT.

P. S.— Before this is made a part of the general report, we are allowed to add a word respecting the action of the executive committee in connection with the report on Children's Work:

1. The uniform name chosen for our children's societies is "King's Heralds".

2. The badge is a silver trumpet with "K. H." in blue.

3. A constitution and by-laws were adopted, thus unifying the work of the children's department in all the branches.

4. A general superintendent was appointed, to have charge of this department and to advance its interests. Mrs. Lucie F. Harrison, 1 Oberlin street, Worcester, Mass., who is also superintendent of Little Light Bearer work, was elected to this office.

5. A manual will soon be issued containing plan of work, constitution, ritual, suggestions, etc., etc., which will be indispensable to our workers.

6. The *Children's Missionary Friend* becomes the official organ of King's Heralds and all children's work connected with the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

7. The *Children's Missionary Friend* is to be enlarged by an addi-

tion of four pages. As quite an expense will be incurred by this, *our publisher depends upon a large increase of subscribers to meet it.* The coming year will determine whether our friends will support a sixteen-page paper for the children.

REPORT OF FRAUEN-MISSIONS-FREUND.

The German "*Friend*" has been edited with great difficulty during the past year. The editor was hindered from doing her work as well as she wished by the constantly increasing care and attention her invalid husband required, until she finally succumbed herself to the disease that brought her life to an early close for this world. Three days before the end came, she advised her daughter what the November issue should contain and asked to see it when it would be ready for the printer. The Master called her to rest before that work was finished. We know that He doeth all things well and try to be submissive to His will.

This year was the twelfth of the editor's service on this paper. During all this time it has gained slowly but surely, until it now has 4,199 subscribers—an increase over last year of 207.

The United Study of Missions has given special satisfaction and has been used in many auxiliaries with good success.

One thing has troubled us a good deal—there never seemed to be room enough for all the good things that we think should have been printed in the paper.

May God bless the German "*Friend*" and make it a messenger of good tidings to many and a means to promote the work of our beloved Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

A. M. ACHARD, *Editor Pro Tem.*

REPORT OF THE STUDY.

This year of grace, 1902, has been a unique one among all missionary periodicals, large and small, marking a distinct advance in the aim, preparation and facilities for the study of missions, by the different Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies of the world. In common with the rest, The *Study*, staff in hand—i. e., *Via Christi*—set out in the new year upon its "pilgrim's progress" through the first eighteen centuries of the Christian era. For six months of the year, it has shone a lesser light alongside that brighter luminary, our text-book. For this United Study of Missions the times were ripe, as evidenced by the almost surprising enthusiasm of the rank and file of our auxiliaries throughout the land; note how the Quarterlies sparkle with it, and missionary conclaves discuss it "*con amore*".

Handicapped by limited space, The *Study* has found it difficult to so summarize this vast and complex subject as to leave any but skeleton outlines, fleshless and bare, which the editor has labored to clothe, at least with a fig-leaf of graphic speech. While some auxiliaries, feeling as was natural, that *Via Christi* was sufficient for their purpose, left off The *Study* this year, we have cause for satisfaction in the fact that its circulation has reached an issue of 34,122 copies, an increase of 2,890.

The subscriptions by branches are as follows: New England Branch, 2,718, increase of 60. New York Branch, 4,761, increase of 381. Philadelphia Branch, 4,019, increase of 71. Baltimore Branch, 963, increase of 154. Cincinnati Branch, 4,061, increase of 565. Northwestern Branch, 8,100, increase of 765. Des Moines Branch, 4,271, increase of 277. Minneapolis Branch, 1,308, increase of 250. Topeka Branch, 2,603, increase of 221. Pacific Branch, 752, increase of 48. Columbia River Branch, 645, increase of 178.

We chronicle this year a new departure in connection with The *Study*—i. e.—"The Open Column" in the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, affording space for suggestions as to treatment of the studies, mention of some side-lights in literature and fuller characterization than could otherwise be possible, of references especially helpful. With the outlines, this gives a full page in our magazine, devoted to the interests of The *Study*.

Twenty search questions, involving considerable study, have from time to time been given in the leaflet. In May it was proposed, in order to stimulate research, and as a slight token of appreciation of such work, to give a copy of a book, entitled "Bright Bits for Reading in Missionary Societies", to the twenty persons in each branch who furnish best replies to these—the answers to be sent at close of year to a committee appointed to pass upon their merits. These committees have not as yet reported, but by private letters we judge some excellent work has been done. In some instances the questions are used to evoke discussion; in others, short talks or papers are based upon them. In one case the members have taken up the matter with so much zest that they have been known to compare notes after church service. By request we append the list.

1. Why did so good, great and benevolent a man as Marcus Aurelius so bitterly persecute Christians?

2. Why did every period of persecution, every pagan literary attack, leave Christianity stronger and more indestructible?

3. How did the nobly-fearless tracts and treatises of the Fathers come to bear the somewhat deprecatory title of "apologies"?

4. Why did Constantine remove his capitol from Rome to Byzantium?

5. Why do Mohammedan missions succeed without the help of woman, while Christian missions do not?

6. Why did not the Celtic instead of the Roman Church endure in England?

7. What became of the Empire created and organized by the genius of Charlemagne?

8. What basal religious belief made it easier to convert the heathen of Northwestern Europe?

9. Why was Dante's stately, intense, terrible poem called "The Divine Comedy"?

10. What part did the Papacy play in the revival of learning?

11. How far was it in turn affected by this revival?

12. Why were the Jesuit Missions in Florida, New Mexico and California nearly obliterated when the Spanish rule ceased?

13. What was the primary cause and what the object of the Reformation?

14. How did the reformed church receive the name Protestant?

15. What innate difference between the Latin and Teutonic natures prompted the one to reject, and the other to accept, the principles of the Reformation?

16. State the different missionary methods mentioned in the entire book of "Via Christi"?

17. Why are there no young women in the Orient?

18. How did Mexico, not a Protestant but a Catholic nation, without outside pressure, accomplish what no other nation has done, viz., taken the Papacy by the throat and compelled it to disgorge stolen property?

19. Of what faith are the present inhabitants of Bethlehem?

20. Why are medical missionaries less needed in Japan than elsewhere in the East?

Anxious to set people to thinking in what way the *Study* could be improved, the editor asked, that in the annual district meetings held spring and fall, as well as at branch anniversaries, symposiums be arranged as one of the features of the occasions, in which to discuss programs in general and our new studies in particular, bringing out what proportion of the members possess *Via Christi* and the *Study*, the different methods in use in regard to the latter, also any hints upon its improvement and future treatment. To get the concensus of opinion a roll call of auxiliaries has sometimes been called for. From the spirited reports received, we are glad to find that mainly the *Study* is not "read as it is writ", in a perfunctory manner, but is usually divided by its paragraphs, which are given to different individuals to serve as a basis for the additional material gathered—that the references are used and the

suggestions frequently followed. In some cases a real conversation has ensued, taking the sub-topics for headlines.

Suggestions given in these reports:

1. "Give us a list of prepared questions to be answered from *Via Christi*." (In two instances this has already been done.)

2. A new dress for the *Study*. "The dainty little Light-bearers," runs the report, "may hesitate to associate with poor, plain-faced *Study*, who has never had a new gown since her christening robe, though the mother-paper, our beautiful *Woman's Missionary Friend*, has had several, each more becoming than the other. *She* had kept up to the age in style and embellishment, even changing her name, as do most young women before reaching the age of 33," and adds, probably to save the editor's feelings, "does not the *Study* richly deserve a new dress once in eight years, since she is crowded full of facts and illustrations which require search through an ample library to glean".

3. "Cannot the type be more varied and the date given in larger letters? Were I to come across an old number of 1894 or 5, I must needs put on my glasses and look very carefully at the diminutive figures before I can tell that it is not the one for our next auxiliary meeting."

4. "Why may not blanks be left in which each auxiliary may insert the day, hour and place of their meeting, thus giving a more individual character to its distribution?"

5. "We would like the paragraphs so separated as to leave room to insert the names of the persons to whom the topics are assigned."

6. "To give freshness and an up-to-date appearance, let us have a small illustration to head each number."

Another suggests that enough copies be taken so that one may be given to every member of the society and many of the church and congregation, being invited, in this pleasant way to the meeting, promising that every woman who receives a copy should either bring it to the meeting herself, give it to some one who will attend, retain it for home study or return to the secretary.

Greater variety in opening exercises rejoins another.

"Simplify," a voice pleads; but this note comes from a city of libraries and manifold helps, and not, as we might imagine, from an auxiliary at a country cross roads. From some of these sound, eager words of encouragement, "the topics are high," say they, "but we will make a jump at them if we cannot reach them."

Glad are we that this quest upon which we have entered, this world-wide and interdenominational Study of Missions is "a story without an end". The orbit of vision broadens every year, larger things than we have seen lie just ahead. The new century ideals are coming true.

MRS. M. S. BUDLONG.

ZENANA PAPER.

A letter received from Mrs. Messmore, of India, contains some interesting items concerning the Zenana paper. Five editions of this paper are published in India. For the information of those receiving occasional copies of these papers, we would say, the Hindi or the "Ablahath Karak" is in the square type; the "Urdu", the "Rafiq" is in the Persian type.

The first editor was Miss L. E. Blackmar, and after a few years Miss Thoburn became the editor until her last visit to America, when Mrs. Messmore accepted the work.

Mrs. Messmore writes: "It is evident that the women are beginning to think; the number who read is rapidly increasing; intelligent men are willing that their women should learn to read, and there are so many things that the zenana women should know that can be imparted to them through the pages of this paper than through any other agency as they sit in their zenanas and read and re-read it, and talk about 'the words that speak so soft and low'. One of the first questions the Bible reader hears as she enters the home is, 'Have you brought the Rafiq?' and many homes are kept open because of the chance to hear the paper read. Every paper has a story—serials of the journeyings of Israel; condensed Life of Booker T. Washington, translated by Miss Singh; the Life of Ramabai, etc. The February number was the children's paper and was the most popular of all; much was written about Arbor Day and the flower mission, also concerning flower culture, for the people of India are fond of flowers.

Mrs. Messmore wishes these papers could have an editor who could give time and care sufficient to make them a magazine.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Balance in hand Oct. 1, 1901		$ 825 01
Received from B. R. Cowen, interest on money invested		519 95
Received from Des Moines Branch		51 00
Received from Baltimore Branch		87 50
Received from Northwestern Branch		70 00
Received from Topeka Branch		33 00
Received from New England Branch		295 61
Received from Philadelphia Branch, Marathi edition		250 00
		$2,132 07
Forwarded to India by order of chairman:		
March 27, 1902	$ 850	
October 1, 1902	600	
		1,450 00
Balance		$ 682 07

H. B. SKIDMORE, *Treasurer.*

Special Resolutions.

Resolutions adopted at the General Executive Committee in Minneapolis, Minn., November, 1902:

Resolved, That hereafter special committees appointed by the General Executive Committee prepare their reports in such time that a copy shall be in the hands of each Branch Secretary at least two months before the meeting of the General Executive Committee.

WHEREAS, Our Missionary Bishops, Hartzell and Warne, and our Visiting Bishop, Moore, have manifested great interest in the work of our society in their respective fields, carefully inspecting the same, and reporting frequently to the Corresponding Secretaries; therefore,

Resolved, That we give expression to our appreciation of their fraternal services, gratefully acknowledging our indebtedness, and trust they will continue to grant us similar favors.

Resolved. That no woman not elected delegate or alternate by her Branch to the General Executive Committee shall be admitted as a member of said committee.

Resolved, That reports presented by the various committees and individuals authorized by the General Executive Committee shall be limited to ten minutes in length of reading.

Resolved, That all resolutions adopted by the General Executive Committee or proposed changes of Constitution shall be classified according to subjects and printed in the General Report immediately following the minutes of the meeting.

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO PERIODICALS, OCT. 1, 1902.

	Woman's Missionary Friend.	Children's Missionary Friend.	Frauen Missions Freund.	The Study.
New England Branch	2,166	3,750	48	2,718
New York Branch	3,232	4,835	326	4,781
Philadelphia Branch	2,584	2,720	53	4,019
Baltimore Branch	871	1,099	70	963
Cincinnati Branch	2,793	2,211	250	4,061
Northwestern Branch	5,760	5,879	787	8,100
Des Moines Branch	2,486	2,553	637	4,271
Minneapolis Branch	727	1,210	583	1,208
Topeka Branch	1,338	1,485	669	2,603
Pacific Branch	594	597	149	752
Columbia River Branch	360	403	55	645
Foreign	275	243	572	1
Scattering	346	138		
Total	23,532	27,123	4,199	34,122
Oct. 1, 1902	21,477	25,106	3,992	31,232
Increase	2,055	2,017	207	2,890

PAULINE J. WALDEN, *Publisher*.

Report of Publisher.

Pauline J. Walden, Publisher, in account with Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, from Oct. 1, 1901, to Oct. 1, 1902.

To cash on hand		$ 2,872 55
" " Received for Subscriptions to W. M. F.	$ 11,408 62	
" " " " " " C. M. F.	2,738 72	
" " " " " " F. M. F.	1,062 53	
" " " " " " The Study	810 23	
		16,020 10
" " " " Literature		3,166 36
" " " " Annual Reports, etc.	$ 862 78	
" " " " Certificates	42 00	
" " " " Advertising	40 00	
" " " " Interest on Loans and Dep't's	251 66	
" " " " Sundries	55 31	
		1,251 75
Total		$23,410 76
By Cash paid for Woman's Missionary Friend	$ 7,194 73	
" " " " Editor's Salary and Incidentals.	752 85	
		$ 7,947 58
" " " " Children's Missionary Friend	$ 2,128 61	
" " " " Editor's Salary and Incidentals.	269 57	
		$ 2,398 18
" " " " Frauen Missions Freund	$ 765 81	
" " " " Editor's Salary and Incidentals	253 70	
		$ 1,019 51
" " " " The Study	$ 740 95	
" " " " Editor's Salary and Incidentals	105 63	
		$ 846 58
" " " " Annual Report and Postage		944 22
" " " " Literature Expenses		4,035 61
" " " " Publisher's Salary	700 00	
" " " " Office Expenses	763 76	
" " " " Insurance	32 04	
		$1,495 80
" " " " Traveling Expenses to General Executive Committee, Editors and Publisher	80 59	
" " " " Printing Appropriations	9 00	
		$ 89 59
" " On Hand		4,633 69
		$23,410 76

PAULINE J. WALDEN, *Publisher.*

Examined and approved,

A. S. WEED, *Auditor.*

It is with pleasure that I bring my twentieth financial report which shows an increase in all departments.

We will ask "What has brought about this result of such a splendid increase, first, of 7,169 in all the periodicals and of the cash in hand of $1,761.14?" We note *first* that it goes without saying that the high character of all our periodicals would warrant such an increase.

Second, we must never forget the faithfulness and persistence of our local agents in the auxiliaries. Through summer's heat and winter's cold these faithful agents go from house to house and not only gather in the old subscribers, but make a persistent effort to gain new ones, and the result of this year has certainly shown that their labor has not been in vain, and I trust the day is far distant when any action shall be taken or any new methods adopted which shall interfere with this great source of strength in our periodical department. There is many a secular and religious paper that would be grateful for such a working force, and great praise should be given to these agents.

Thirdly, the conference and district secretaries have been faithful in the presentation of the periodicals at the conference and district meetings, and that has greatly assisted in this advance.

Having served as publisher for twenty years I may be pardoned if I present the inside view of the office work. There have been received this year 12,508 letters with remittances varying from ten cents to two hundred dollars. These letters, the most of them, must be handled six times, and many of them ten times, before they are ready to put away in the file for future reference. Added to this there have been 1,200 more letters enclosing from one cent to ten cents, with small orders for leaflets. These are kept by themselves and noted in the cash book in the aggregate. The above are cash letters. We belong to an itinerant band and have an average of 2,000 changes of residents a year of our periodicals, and added to this about 2,000 other letters of various inquiries, making an aggregate of 17,508. There have been handled in the office 88,976 periodicals *per month*, making an aggregate of 1,067,712 periodicals in the *year*, with a total number of pages of 17,679,600. Added to this there have been issued from the office 277,600 leaflets with a total number of pages of 3,905,200, making a grand total of 21,584,200 pages of literature that has been distributed *in* the office and *out* of it in the course of the year, besides thousands of pages of the older issue of leaflets.

One of our strong, wise men, in whose judgment we have great confidence, addressed his students at the autumn opening of the Woman's College with these words: "Don't rush and do not be rushed, character depends not on rush orders." Now if this good advice of our friend should be observed in the office of the *Woman's Missionary*

Friend, it would require a doubling of the forces now employed, for fully one-half of the twelve thousand letters above mentioned contain this sentence or something similar to it: "Please send by return mail" or "At once, as I have delayed sending this order and need it immediately".

I have brought this year the best report of all the years. An increase of $2,650.42 over any previous year. The total receipts for the twenty years have been $284,709.58, the expenses $281,279.00, and notwithstanding we have contributed from our fund $34,257.00 for the distribution of literature and to aid the zenana paper, the *Children's Missionary Friend* and the *German Friend*, we have a net gain of $3,430.50 in the twenty years.

Our aim for the coming year is 30,000 for the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, 50,000 for the *Children's Missionary Friend*, 5,000 for the *German Friend* and 40,000 for the *Study*, and if we meet this aim, each and every one must put forth extra effort so that next year will be far in advance of the present.

PAULINE J. WALDEN, *Publisher*.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF LITERATURE.

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" " " " Maps	5 00	
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Cash Deficit		$ 769 25
Literature on Hand	$ 1,000 00	
Little Light Bearers Literature, etc	200 00	
Bills Due	92 76	
		1,292 76
Cash Deficit		769 25
Net Balance		$ 523 51

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Report of Little Light Bearers.

Last year marked a new epoch in the Little Light Bearer realm. During the previous ten years of its existence these little "morning glories" of the missionary cause had had many a kindly nod of approval and many a God-speed from this body, but not till last year did they receive the official recognition which calls for a report. By a vote of the executive committee the enrollment cards, which had heretofore been the property of the N. E. Branch, were to be handed over to the whole society; but before this should take place an opportunity was given the branches to unite in ordering a large quantity direct from the factory, thus securing the advantage of lowest rates.

In this our publisher acquiesced, as it was thought it would give a new impetus to the Little Light Bearers' work, encouraging the branches to make them free.

Most of the branches availed themselves of this privilege, all understanding that when the cards were handled by our society, the cost of storage, office help, would necessitate an increased price.

Two appeals were next prepared, one for conference and district secretaries, and the other for auxiliaries. The latter was sent to the depots of supplies, and the district secretaries were requested to obtain them from there and send one to each auxiliary. These appeals asked that each auxiliary choose a committee to have charge of the Little Light Bearers' department and report the same to the district secretary.

The suggestion was also given that the committee appointed secure a Little Light Bearers' outfit, which would explain the method fully to all who were unfamiliar with it.

That each auxiliary recognize this department by putting it into the hands of a committee, seemed a perfectly natural and reasonable thing to ask, yet like so many plans which are thought out with such great care and sent out with such earnest hopes and prayer, the plea in many cases seemed to fall upon stony ground. But this was only in the seeming, for it surely awakened a greater interest; and while the outcome did not measure up to our hopes, yet there are continued evidences of fruit-bearing results. In some instances a second supply of these appeals was ordered by our depots of supplies to meet the demand. Letters expressing great interest in the work and rich with promises for the future, began pouring in from secretaries and the local workers of every branch. These

letters are cherished treasures. With the blessing of God we build great hopes upon them.

About 210 personal letters to local workers have been written by the secretary this year.

In the interest of this department six new leaflets have been issued: "Why be a Little Light Bearer!" "Hints on Best Methods," "Christian Methods," "Motherhood in Heathen Lands," and "Little Light Bearer Echoes," the last four to be used in making up a program for mothers. A program, together with two little poems, was also printed for this purpose.

The new plan of brightening the Little Light Bearer page of our "*Children's Missionary Friend*" with the face of some Little Light Bearer who has been made a life member by the payment of $10, has just been inaugurated. This has called forth kindly messages of approval from many of our workers and awakened considerable interest, which we hope will increase.

Every name means more than the $10. It means help for the Little Light Bearers cause generally and added interest in the little paper.

The difficulty of conducting with any degree of satisfaction a personal correspondence with our 100 conference secretaries led the general secretary to send a request to each branch annual meeting, asking that a branch secretary be appointed, through whom the general secretary may work.

Several branches have complied with this request, and we trust that others will see their way to do so. This is a decided step in advance, and will enable the work to be carried on much more effectually.

Toward the close of the year a communication was sent to each conference secretary, asking for a report of Little Light Bearer work in her conference. Thirty-four responded. Six had no work but were hoping for it.

Information was also asked concerning space for Little Light Bearer reports in printed blanks, and find in a number of branches no space is given, which adds to the difficulty of getting reports. Most of the branches will remedy this when printing new blanks.

"Just name the thing that you want," said a wideawake secretary, all ready to take up the work. This is the answer:

1. Enrollment cards, free in every branch.
2. A branch secretary for Little Light Bearers in every branch who shall work through the regular channels.
3. Space for Little Light Bearer reports on all printed blanks.
4. Little Light Bearer department represented and reported at district meetings.

5. A committee for this work in every auxiliary and reports called for at every meeting.

6. One meeting each year in the local auxiliary arranged with special thought for the mothers, particularly the mothers of the Little Light Bearers.

Also another occasion, when the Little Light Bearers themselves are invited guests. These Little Light Bearer receptions have come to be a delightful feature in many churches. When we remember "He that takes the child by the hand, takes the mother by the heart," the value of this opportunity increases two fold.

Not infrequently a communication like the following is received: "We cannot find a woman for our Little Light Bearer committee." When our women once get a glimpse of the beauty of this work, its simplicity and yet its great importance, then there will be no longer this dearth of workers.

The children of the world are in the direct care of the women of the world. The holiest work ever given to women and the society which neglects its little ones, lacks the highest, truest wisdom. "The field is already white for the harvest;" "Suffer the little children to come."

LUCIE F. HARRISON,
Secretary of Little Light Bearers.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1902.

AMOUNT OF MONEY RECEIVED FROM OCTOBER 1, 1901, TO OCTOBER 1, 1902, BY BRANCHES.

New England Branch	$ 43,039 97
New York "	89,921 00
Philadelphia "	43,491 07
Baltimore "	19,310 77
Cincinnati "	57,280 00
Northwestern "	120,406 05
Des Moines "	41,155 65
Minneapolis "	21,809 22
Topeka "	20,694 56
Pacific "	13,886 00
Columbia River "	5,085 57
From the Germans	2,156 17
	$ 478,236 03
Amount raised, 1901	426,795 28
Advance for 1902	$ 51,440.75

Receipts of Society Since Organization.

From	March,	1869,	to	April,	1870	$ 4,546 86
"	April 1,	1870,	to	"	1871	22,397 99
"	"	1871,	to	"	1872	44,477 46
"	"	1872,	to	"	1873	54.834 87
"	"	1873,	to	"	1874	64,309 25
"	"	1874,	to	"	1875	61,492 19
"	"	1875,	to	Feb. 10,	1876	55,276 06
"	Feb. 10,	1876,	to	"	1877	72,464 30
"	"	1877,	to	"	1878	68,063 52
"	"	1878,	to	"	1879	66,843 69
"	"	1879,	to	"	1880	76,276 43
"	"	1880,	to	"	1881	107,932 45
"	"	1881,	to	Oct. 1,	1882	195,678 50
"	Oct. 1,	1882,	to	"	1883	126,823 33
"	"	1883,	to	"	1884	143,199 14
"	"	1884,	to	"	1885	157,442 66
"	"	1885,	to	"	1886	167,098 85
"	"	1886,	to	"	1887	191,158 13
"	"	1887,	to	"	1888	206,308 69
"	"	1888,	to	"	1889	226,496 15
"	"	1889,	to	"	1890	220,329 96
"	"	1890,	to	"	1891	263,660 69
"	"	1891,	to	"	1892	265,342 15
"	"	1892,	to	"	1893	277,303 79
"	"	1893,	to	"	1894	311,925 96
"	"	1894,	to	"	1895	289,227 00
"	"	1895,	to	"	1896	285,823 94
"	"	1896,	to	"	1897	313,937 86
"	"	1897,	to	"	1898	328,488 75
"	"	1898,	to	"	1899	360,338 63
"	"	1899,	to	"	1900	414,531 33
"	"	1900,	to	"	1901	426,795 28
"	"	1901,	to	"	1902	478,236 03
Total since organization						$6,359,761 89

LESSON TOPICS FOR 1903.

Prepared by the Literature Committee of the Woman's Foreign ionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The lessons for uary, March, April, September, October and November are upon ı, in accord with the Interdenominational Study.

ıary. A General Survey of 1902. The Dividend, Divisor and Quotient, *i. e.*, Apportionments, Objects and Results. Review for 1903. What would another $50,000 do?

uary. The Dim Centuries.

:h. India's Invaders. Sub-Topic—Thank-Offering.

!. The Oft-Conquered People.

). Duty of Christian Nations to Protect Christless Nations from the Vices of Civilization. Paper — Patriotism as a Factor of Foreign Missions. Sub-Topic—Bulgaria.

:. The World Outlook for Girlhood. Children and Missions. Sub-Topic—Will the Present Generation See the Evangelization of the World?

. A Magazine Quiz.—Let some month of the "Woman's Missionary Friend" be the text-book for the lesson, the same to be conducted as a class recitation. Sub-Topics—Growth of Self-Support in Mission Fields. Country—Tibet. Paper Miss Sheldon and Her Bhotyans.

ust. Our Work in Africa. Sub-Topic—Some Stories of Bible Translation. Paper — Relation of Missions to Social Progress.

:mber. The Invasion of Love.

ber. A Century of Work for Women.

ember. Forces of Darkness and Forces of Light.

:mber. The Child and His Mission. Sub-Topic—The Growth of the Kingdom in Japan.

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1889	Rue E. Sellers	Naini Tal, India	Cincinnati	New Matamoras, O.
1889	Lydia A. Trimble	Nan Chang, China	Des Moines	Galva, Ia.
1889	Ellen Blackstock	Tokyo, Japan	Minneapolis	Shadeland, Ind.
1889	Georgiana Baucus	Yokohama, Japan	New York	Ithaca, N. Y.
1890	Rachel R. Benn, M. D	Tientsin, China	Philadelphia	Edinboro, Pa.
1890	*Ida Stevenson, M. D	Tientsin, China	Topeka	Chicago.
1890	Ellen M. Lyon, M. D	Foochow, China	Northwestern	Spencer Creek, Mich.
1890	Leonora H. Seeds	Fukuoka, Japan	Cincinnati	Delaware, O.
1890	*Frances A. Perkins	Rangoon, Burma	Des Moines	Indianola, Ia.
1891	M. E. Vickery	Rome, Italy	Northwestern	Evansville, Ind.
1878–1891	Mary F. Swaney	Rosario, S. Am	Topeka	Manhattan, Kan.
1891	Anna R. Limberger	Puebla, Mexico	Philadelphia	Danville, Pa.
1891	Kate L. Ogborn	Nan Chang, China	Des Moines	Union Mills, Ia.
1891	Laura M. White	Chin Kiang, China	Philadelphia	Philadelphia.
1891	Ella A. Lewis	Seoul, Korea	Philadelphia	New York City.
1891	Louisa Heafer	Jabalpore, India	Philadelphia	Philadelphia.
1892	Grace Stephens	Madras, India	Baltimore	India.
1892	Effie Dunmore	Guanajuato, Mexico	Philadelphia	Auburn Corners, Pa.
1892	Josephine O. Paine	Seoul, Korea	New England	Boston, Mass.
1892	Effie G. Young	Peking, China	New England	Waltham, Mass.
1892	Luella M. Masters, M. D	Foochow, China	Northwestern	Thornton, Ind.
1892	Elizabeth Hoge	Gonda, India	Cincinnati	Bellaire, O.
1892	Kate B. Blackburn	Loftcha, Bulgaria	Northwestern	Jacksonville, Ill.
1892	Catherine Wood	Haiderabad, India	Des Moines	Humeston, Ia.
1892	Ada J. Lauck	Cawnpore, India	Des Moines	Indianola, Ia.
1892	Frances Craig	Calcutta, India	Northwestern	Evanston, Ill.

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1892	Josephine Stahl	Rangoon, Burma	Northwestern	Diagonal, Ia.
1892	Christine Lawson	Bombay, India	New York	Green Island, N. Y.
1892	Ella E. Glover	Tientsin, China	New England	Boston, Mass.
1892	Lydia A. Wilkinson	Foochow, China	Des Moines	Diagonal, Ia.
1892	Mary F. Cutler, M. D	Seoul, Korea	Cin. & N. York	Pomeroy, Ia.
1893	Mrs. Anna C. Davis	Nan King, China	Northwestern	Oak Park, Ill.
1893	Lula E. Frey	Seoul, Korea	Cincinnati	Bellefontaine, O.
1893	Carrie A. Heaton	Sendai, Japan	Northwestern	Seymour, Ind.
1893	Wilma H. Rouse	Foochow, China	Minneapolis	Lakefield, Minn.
1894	Harriet S. Alling	Tokyo, Japan	Northwestern	Chicago, Ill.
1894	Florence E. Singer	Hakodate, Japan	Philadelphia	Philadelphia, Pa.
1894	Minnie E. Wilson	Foochow, China	Northwestern	Shelbyville, Ind.
1894	*Lillian R. Marks	Ajmere, India	Pacific	San Francisco, Cal.
1894	Anna R. Elicker	Khandwa, India	Des Moines	Muscatine, Ia.
1894	Mabel Allen	Foochow, China	Des Moines	Early, Iowa.
1894	Mary Peters	Foochow, China	Northwestern	Princeville, Ill.
1894	Florence L. Nichols	Lucknow, India	New England	Lynn, Mass.
1894	Lola May Kidwell	Nagasaki, Japan	Cincinnati	Delavan, O.
1894	*Julia M. Donahue, M. D	Hing Hua, China	Cincinnati	Fremont, O.
1894	*Celesta Easton	Sitapore, India	Pacific	Riverside, Cal.
1894	Lily D. Greene	Phalera, India	Northwestern	Greencastle, Ind.
1894	*Mary E. Wilson	Bareilly, India	Northwestern	India.
1894	Helen R. Galloway	Chung King, China	Des Moines	Mt. Ayr, Ia.
1894	*Fannie E. Meyer	Chung King, China	Des Moines	Elm Grove, Mo.
1895	Gertrude Taft, M. D	Chin Kiang, China	Pacific	Los Angeles, Cal.
1895	Clara J. Collier	Chun King, China	New England	Laconia, N. H.

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1895	Phœbe Wells	Foochow. China	New York	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1895	Alice Linam	Kucheng, China	New York	Leesburg, Ind.
1895	Kate O. Curts	Budaon, India	New York	New York City.
1895	Laura S. Wright	Muttra, India	Northwestern	Washington, Ind.
1895	Althea M. Todd	Ing Chung, China	New England	Boston, Mass.
1895	Alice A. Evans	Haiderabad, India	Des Moines	Russell, Ia.
1895	Miranda Croucher	Tientsin, China	New England	Boston, Mass.
1895	Hu King Eng, M. D.	Foochow, China	Philadelphia	Foochow, China.
1895	Eva M. Hardie	Lucknow, India	Cincinnati	New York City.
1896	*Emma Scott, M. D.	Muttra, India	Cincinnati	Columbus, O.
1896	*Mary Means	Moradabad, India	Cincinnati	Akron, O.
1896	*Mary E. Shockley	Peking, China	Cincinnati	Columbus, O.
1896	Gertrude Gilman	Peking, China	New England	Springfield, Vt.
1896	Fannie S. Fisher	Kolar, India	Northwestern	Danville, Ill.
1896	Ida Khan, M. D.	Kiu Kiang, China	Northwestern	Kiu Kiang, China.
1896	Mary Stone, M. D.	Kiu Kiang, China	Des Moines	Kiu Kiang, China.
1896	*Elizabeth M. Benthein	Poona, India	Northwestern	Millbrook, Ill.
1896	Caroline M. Purdy	Puebla, Mexico	Philadelphia	Sunbury, Pa.
1896	Elizabeth W. Nicholls	Bombay, India	New York	New York City.
1896	Clara E. Merrill	Kiu Kiang, China	Northwestern	Flint, Mich.
1896	*Clarissa E. Spencer		Philadelphia	Philadelphia, Pa.
1896	Frances G. Wilson	Tokyo, Japan	Cincinnati	Chattanooga, Tenn.
1897	May B. Lily	Singapore, Sts. Settlements	Minn. & Col. Riv	Portland, O.
1897	*Grace B. Todd	Chung King, China	Northwestern	57 Wash'g St., Chicago, Ill
1897	Mariana Young	Nagasaki, Japan	Cincinnati	Marysville, O.
1897	Nellie Pierce	Seoul, Korea	Philadelphia	Chattanooga, Tenn.

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1897	Mary E. Melton	Nagasaki, Japan	Northwestern	Jacksonville, Ill.
1897	*Martha Lebeus	Sieng Iu, China	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, O.
1897	*Ida M. Bowne	Rome, Italy	Northwestern	Herkimer, N. Y.
1897	Clara Martin	Penang, Straits Settlements	Minneapolis	Hamline, Minn.
1897	Nettie M. Hyde	Jabulpore, India	Des Moines	Hopkins, Mo.
1897	Martelle Elliot	Poona, India	New York	Van Wert, O.
1897	N. M. Daniel	Tokyo, Japan	Des Moines	Traer, Iowa.
1897	Melva A. Livermore	Meerut, India	Topeka	Smith Center, Kas.
1897	Laura Bobenhouse	Aligarh, India	Des Moines	Cambria, Iowa.
1897	Amy Gifford Lewis	Yokohama, Japan	Baltimore	Jamestown, N. Y.
1898	Alice Means	Moradabad, India	Cincinnati	Akron, O.
1898	*Marion Newton	Lucknow, India	Northwestern	Grand Ledge, Mich.
1898	*Isabella D. Longstreet	Foochow, China	Northwestern	Bay City, Mich.
1898	E. Marguerite Glenk	Kucheng, China	New York	Long Island City, N. Y.
1898	L. W. Varney	Hing Hua, China	Topeka	Pueblo, Cal.
1898	Edith A. Hemingway	Singapore, Sts. Settlements	New England	Springfield, Mass.
1898	Miriam Forster	Asansol, India	Northwestern	Toronto, Canada.
1898	Ida Grace Loper	Sitapore, India	New York	Marilla, N. Y.
1898	Margaret Carver	Raichur, India	Cincinnati	Delaware, O.
1898	Estelle M. Files	Poona, India	New York	Brockport, N. Y.
1899	Helen Ingram	Bareilly, India	Minneapolis	Brighton, England.
1899	Emma Ernsberger, M. D.	Seoul, Korea	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, O.
1899	Jennie Moyer	Calcutta, India	New York	Newark, N. Y.
1899	Clara M. Organ	Shahjahanpore, India	New England	Groveland, Mass.
1899	Mary Putnam Stearns	Lucknow, India	New England	Boston, Mass.
1899	Martha L. Nicolaisen	Sieng Iu, China	Minneapolis	Cincinnati, O.

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1899	Caroline Driebelbeis	Kiu Kiang, China	New York	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1899	Mary Eva Gregg	Muttra, India	Des Moines	Danville, Ia.
1899	Carrie J. Samson	Calcutta, India	Des Moines	Vannest, Ia.
1899	Phebe A. Parkinson	Foochow, China	Columbia River	Spokane, Wash.
1899	Ella Manning	Chung King, China	Northwestern	Detroit, Mich.
1899	Louise T. Brouse	Lucknow, India	Northwestern	Irvington, Ind.
1899	Ada J. Southard	Hirosaki, Japan	Des Moines	.....
1899	Bertha E. Kneeland	Rosario, S. A	New England	Boston, Mass.
1899	Charlotte J. Illingworth	Thandaug, Burma	Philadelphia	Burma.
1900	Ida Bohannon	Pachuca, Mexico	Northwestern	Dellon, Kansas.
1900	Laura E. Beazell	Rome, Italy	Northwestern	Ligonier, Ind.
1900	Dora Davis	Loftcha, Bulgaria	Northwestern	Kalamazoo, Mich.
1900	Mrs. Mary C. Meek	Kuala Lampur, Sts. Set'm'ts.	New York	New York City.
1900	Luella R. Anderson	Kuala Lampur, Sts. Set'm'ts.	Cincinnati	Ada, Ohio.
1900	Anna J. Norton, M. D	Jabalpore, India	Cincinnati	New York City.
1900	Mary A. Cody	Singapore, Sts. Settlements	Minneapolis	Cleveland, O.
1900	Ida Ellis	Penang, Sts. Settlements	Minneapolis	Greencastle, Ind.
1900	Charlotte J. Holman	Ajmere, India	Pacific	Boston, Mass.
1900	Lilavati Singh	Lucknow, India	Cincinnati	India.
1900	Luella Rigby	Thandaug, Burma	Des Moines	Mechanicsville, Ia.
1900	Mary V. McKinley	Darjeeling, India	Northwestern	.....
1900	H. Mariana Decker	Chung King, China	Northwestern	Dixon, Ill.
1900	Eva Odgers	Rome, Italy	Northwestern	Chicago, Ill.
1900	Mary L. Rowley	Kiu Kiang, China	Northwestern	Chicago, Ill.
1900	Grace Stockwell	Rangoon, Burma	Des Moines	Murray, Ia.
1900	Mrs. Esther Kim Pak, M. D	Seoul, Korea	Philadelphia	Seoul, Korea.

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1900	Lucy E. Bumgardner	Puebla, Mexico	Des Moines	Iowa.
1900	Emma E. Martin, M. D	Peking, China.	Northwestern	Otterbein, Ind.
1900	Elizabeth Martin	Peking, China.	Northwestern	Otterbein, Ind.
1900	Mary R. Hillman	Seoul, Korea	Cincinnati	Newark, O.
1900	Martha J. Miller	Basim, India	Des Moines	Madrid, Iowa.
1900	Ruth E. Robinson	Lucknow, India	Baltimore	Calcutta, India.
1900	Mary E. Williams	Baroda, India.	Philadelphia	Grove City, Pa.
1900	Alice J. Hammond	Seoul, Korea	New York	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1900	Lulu A. Miller	Seoul, Korea	New York	Little Falls, N. Y.
1900	Emily L. Harvey	Raipur, India	New England	St. Johnsbury, Vt.
1900	Florence Plumb	Foochow, China	New York	Foochow, China.
1900	Ethel M. Estey	Seoul, Korea	New York	
1900	Elizabeth May Ruddick	Gondah, India	New England	El Dorado, Kans.
1900	Mrs. Susan Tippett	Foochow, India	Baltimore	
1900	Mrs. Helen E. Rasmussen	Rhodesia, S. E. Africa	New York	
1882-1900	Anna P. Atkinson	Tokyo, Japan	New York	Cazenovia, N. Y.
1901	Ella Holbrook	Tokyo, Japan	Pacific	San Francisco, Cal.
1901	Margaret M. Lewis, M. D	Bareilly, India	Northwestern	Chicago, Ill.
1901	Anna A. Abbott	Godhra, India	Northwestern	Chicago, Ill.
1901	Jessie Alice Marriott	Ing Chung, China	New England	Osage City, Mo.
1901	Emma Stockwell	Rangoon, Burma	Topeka	Murray, Ia.
1901	Grace Stockwell	Rangoon, Burma	Des Moines	Murray, Ia.
1901	Grace W. Woods	Kolar, India	Northwestern	Quincy, Ill.
1901	Carrie Foster	Rangoon, Burma	Des Moines	Sioux City, Ia.
1901	Elizabeth J. Wells	Haiderabad, India	Des Moines	LaClede, Mo.
1901	Annie S. Winslow	Meerut, India	Topka	Chicago, Ill.

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1901	Agnes Edmonds, M. D	Chung King, China	Des Moines	Tina, Mo.
1901	Christina Williams	Chung King, China	Minneapolis	Duluth, Minn.
1901	Fannie A. Bennett	Jabalpore, India	Northwestern	Bloomington, Ill.
1901	Susan Collins	Malange, Angola, Africa	Pacific	Pasadena, Cal.
1901	Margaret J. Edmunds	Seoul, Korea	Cincinnati	Toledo, O.
1901	Isabel McKnight	Muttra, India	Topeka	
1901	M. Alice Moore	Guanajuato, Mexico	New England	Oxford, Ga.
1901	Edna L. Beck, M. D	Ajmere, India	Pacific	San Jose, Cal.
1901	Nainette Henkle	Calcutta, India	Des Moines	Des Moines, Iowa.
1902	Georgia Weaver	Japan	New York	Cortland, N. Y.
1902	Henrietta Robins		New York	Northport, N. Y.
1902	Alice W. Kurtz	Mexico City, Mexico	Philadelphia	Eastern Shore, Md.
1902	Anna B. Slate	Yokohama, Japan	Philadelphia	Williamsport, Pa.
1902	Mabel K. Seeds	Fukuoka, Japan	Northwestern	Upland, Ind.
1902	Pauline E. Wescott	Hing Hua, China	Northwestern	Grand Rapids, Mich.
1902	Therza M. Pierce	Kiu Kiang, China	Northwestern	Bartlett, Ill.
1902	C. Ethel Jackson	Taiping. Malaysia		Green Castle, Ind.
1902	Urdell Montgomery	India	Topeka	
1902	Sarah B. Turner	Camp Baroda, India	Philadelphia	Pittsburg.
1903	Mary B. Tuttle, M. D	Aligarh, India	Topeka	Colorado Springs.
1902	Maude E. Soper	Tokyo, Japan	Baltimore	Japan
1902	Lotta McHase		Cincinnati	Delaware, O.
1902	Mabel Sia	Foochow, China	Des Moines	China.
1902	Bertha M. Beard		Des Moines	Indianola, Iowa.
1902	Rosa M. Pyne		Des Moines	Vinton, Iowa.
1902	Susanna M. Stumpf		Des Moines	Ottumwa, Iowa.

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1902	Joan Davis	Bombay, India	Des Moines	Fayette. Iowa.
1902	Minerva Gutthaffel		New York	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1902	Helen Robinson	Bombay, India		
1902	Mabel Davison	Tokyo, Japan.		Japan.
1902	Esther R. Henderson			Herkimer, N. Y.
1902	Laura Temple			Hoboken, N. J.
1902	Bessie Alexander	Japan		Prince Edward Is., N. F.
1902	Lou Frances Passmore			Chicago, Ill.
1902	Anna Mary Zimmerman			Spring Valley, Minn.
1902	Winifred Spaulding	Manila, Philippine Islands	Topeka	Kansas City, Kans.
	RETIRED AFTER TWENTY-FIVE YEARS' SERVICE.			
	Sarah Woolston	Foochow, China		Mt. Holly, N. J.
	RETIRED AFTER TWENTY-SEVEN YEARS' SERVICE.			
	Clara A. Swain, M. D	India		Castile, N. Y

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APPOIN'T.	MISSIONARIES.		
1875	Miss Letitia A. Campbell	Peking, China	Died May 18, 1878.
1878	" Susan B. Higgins	Yokohama, Japan	" July 3, 1879.
1876	" L. H. Green, M. D. (Mrs. Cheney)	Bareilly, India	" Sept. 30, 1878.
1881	" Emma Michener	Africa	" Dec. 11, 1881.
1884	" Ella Gilchrist, M. D	Kiu Kiang, China	" April 23, 1884.
1871	" Beulah Woolston	Foochow, China	" Oct. 24, 1886.
1880	" Cecelia Guelfi	Montevideo, S. A	1886.
1881	" Harriet Kerr	Bareilly, India	" Dec. 11, 1886.
1880	" Florence Nickerson	Lucknow, India	" Jan. 31, 1887.
1878	" Harriet Woolston, M. D	Moradabad, India	
1872	" Elizabeth M. Pultz	Moradabad, India	" Nov. 5, 1887.
1883	" Emma J. Everding	Nagasaki, Japan	" Jan. 13, 1892.
1878	" M. E. Layton	Cawnpore, India	" April 22, 1892.
1888	" M. E. V. Pardoe	Tokyo, Japan	" Aug. 31, 1892.
1887	" Mary A. Vance (Mrs. Belknap)	Tokyo, Japan	" Sept. 27, 1892.
1880	" Anna B. Sears	Peking, China	" Dec. 4, 1895.
1884	" Clara A. Downey	India	" Jan. 4, 1896.
1888	" Mary E. Carroll	Bombay, India	" June 12, 1897.
1884	" Linna M. Schenck	Bulgaria	" March 22, 1898.
1881	" Phebe Rowe	India	" April 13, 1898.
1889	" Maud E. Simons	Japan	" July 29, 1898.
1874	" Mary Hastings	Mexico	" Aug. 15, 1898.
1876	" Nettie Ogden	Mexico	1899.
1887	" Mary A. Hughes (Mrs. Ernsberger)	India	1899.
1900	" Martha McKibben	Mexico City, Mo	" Nov. 12, 1900.
1895	" Florence Sterling (Mrs. Leuth)	India	" Nov. 1900.
1898	" Cora Zentmire (Mrs. Brewster)	Angola, Africa	" Jan. 8, 1901.
1869	" Isabella Thoburn	Lucknow, India	" Sept. 1, 1901.
1886	" Delia A. Fuller	Sironcha, India	" Nov. 14, 1901.
1894	" Mary De F. Loyd	Mexico City, Mex	" May 28, 1902.
1897	" Lillian Harris, M. D	Peng Yang, Korea	" May 16, 1902.
1900	" Josephine Mekkleson	Quessua, Africa	" July 5, 1902.

Missionaries.

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adicates marriage, *r* Retired, *d* Deceased. (Name in parenthesis is married name.)

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m	**Akers, Estella, M. D. (Perkins)**	
	Atkinson, Anna P.	
r	**Atkinson, Mary**	
	Ayers, Harriet L.	
r	**Abrams, Minnie F.**	
	Allen, Belle J.	
	Alling, H S.	
	Allen, Mabel	
	Anderson, Luella R.	
	Abbott, Anna A.	
	Alexander, Bessie	
m	Brown, Maria (Davis)	
m	Blackmar, Lou E. (Hilder)	
r	Bushnell, Kate C , M. D.	
	Budden, Annie	
m	Benton Emma (Elmer)	
	Bonafie d, Julia A.	
	Blackmore, Sophia	
	Bing Anna V.	
	Blair Kate A	
r	Black, Lillian R	
m	Bowen, Mary E	
	Bender, Elizabeth R.	
	Blackstock, Ella	
	Bau ns, Georgiana	
	Benn, Rachel R , M D.	
m	Bengel Margaret (Jones)	
m	Barrows Mrs M L., M. D.	
	Bowne Ida May	
	Bryan Mary E., M D.	
	Blackburn Kate A.	
m	Butcher, Annie	
	Bentheln, E M	
r	Boss, Harriet	
	Bobenhouse, Laura	
	Burman, Matilda	
	Brouse, Louise T.	
	Bohannon Ida	
	Beazell, Laura E.	
	Bumgardner Lucy E.	
	Bennett, Fannie A.	
	Beck Edna L., M D.	
	Beard Bertha M	
m	Carey Mary F (Davis)	
d	Campbell L A	
r	Chapin, Jennie M	
m	Coombs, L M D Strittmater)	
r	Cushman, Clara	
r	Clemens, Mrs E J	
m	Corey, Catherine, M D (Ford)	

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1884	*r*	Christiancy Mary F , M. D.
1887		Carleton, May E., M. D.
1888	*d*	Carroll, Mary E
1892	*r*	Crosthwaite, Isabella
1892		Craig Frances
1892		Cutler, Mary F , M D
1894	*m*	Christiansen Christina
1894	*m*	Collins Ruth A. (Thoburn)
1895		Croucher Miranda
1895		Corts, Kate O
1895		Collier, Clara J
1898		Carver, Margaret B.
1900		Cody Mary A
1901		Collins, Susan
1874	*r*	Denning, Lou B.
1882	*m*	Devine Esther J. (Williams)
1884	*d*	Downey, Clara A
1884	*r*	De Line Sarah M
1888	*r*	Danforth, Mary A
1888		Dickerson Augusta
1888	*m*	Day, Martha E. (Abbott)
1889		Daily Rebecca
1890	*r*	Dudley Hannah
1891	*r*	De Motte, Mary (Doering)
1892		Dunmore Effie
1893	*m*	Dieu Lydia
1893		Davis Anna L (Mrs)
1894		Donohue, Julia M , M D
1895	*m*	Dart Jennie M , M D (Dease)
1896	*m*	Deaver Ida C
1897		Daniels N M
1899		Dridelheis, Caroline
1900		Davis Dora
1900		**Decker, H. M.**
1902		**Davis, Joan**
1878		Easton, S A.
1885	*m*	Elliot Mary J
1883	*d*	Everding Emma J
1884		English Fannie M
1885	*m*	Elliot Mary C
1879	*m*	Elliot, Margaret (Wilson)
1888	*r*	Ernsberger I , M D
1894		Elcser, Anna
1894		Eastman, Celesta
1895		Evans Alice A
1897		Ellis Marie
1899		Ernsberger Emma, M D
1899	*m*	Ewers Harriet E Lyons)
1900		Ellis Ida

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1900		**Estey Ethel M.**
1901		**Edmonds, Agnes, M. D.**
1901		**Edmunds, Margaret J**
1884	*m*	**Fisher, Elizabeth (Brewster)**
1886	*d*	**Fuller, Delia A.**
1887	*r*	**Field, Nellie H**
1887	*r*	Fincham, Ella B.
1888		Files Estella M
1889	*m*	Forbes, Ella R (Phillips)
1889		French, Anna S. Freyer)
1891		Frey, Celia M.
1892	*m*	Ferris Emma E. (Shellabear)
1893		Frey Lulu E.
1893		Foster Eva M
1896		Fisher, Fannie S.
1898		Forster Miriam
1901		Foster, Carrie
1875	*d*	Green Lucillos H., M.D., Chen- [ey)
1878	*r & m*	Gibson Eugenia
1879		Gheer, Jennie M
1880	*m*	Goodenough, Julia E. Hudson)
1880	*d*	Gilchrist, Ella, M. D.
1878	*d*	Guelfin Cecelia
1886	*r*	Green Nellie R
1885		Gl ss Anna M, M D
1887		Gall more, Aura
1889		Griffiths Mary B
1892		Glover, Ella J
1894		Greene, Lily D.
1894		Galloway, Helen
1895	*r*	Goodin E S.
1896		Gilman Gertrude
1898		Glenk, E Marguerite
1899		**Gregg, Mary E.**
1884		Harvey, Emily L.
1884	*m*	Hedrick, M C (Miles)
1883	*r*	Hamisfar, F N, M D.
1872		Howe Gertrude
1879	*r*	Howe Delia A
1872		Hoag L. A M D
1874	*d*	Hastings Mary L
1877	*m*	Howard, Leonora, M D (King)
1878	*m*	Holbrook Mary A. Chappell)
1878	*d*	Higgins Susan B.
1881		Hampton, M nn e S
1881	*m*	Hoy, Ella J Lawson
1883	*m*	Hugaboom, Marion
1883	*m*	Hyde Laura, M D. (Foote)
1887	*m*	Hughes, Mary Ernsberger
1886		Hewett, Elizab th
1884		Hewett, E anor J
1885	*r*	Hall Emma M
1884	*r*	Howard, Mota M D.
1887		Hartford Mabel C
1888	*m*	Hal Lillian G Scott Welday)
1888	*m*	Hyde, M nne J Wilson
1891		Haefe Lon a
1892		Hamm nd Rebecca J
1892		Hoge El za t
1892	*m*	Harr gton Susan (Cosland)
1892	*m*	Hel nger Josephine (Suggs)
1893	*m*	Harr s Mary W Follwell
1893		Heaton, Carrie A
1893	*m*	**Harris, Nellie**
1895		**Hardie, Eva M.**

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1896		Hu King Eng, M. D.
1895	*m*	Hodge, Emma, M. D. (Worrell
1897	*d*	Harris Lillian, M. D.
1897		Hyde, Nettie M
1898		Hemingway, E A.
1900		Hollman, Charlotte J.
1900		Hillman Mary R
1900		Hammond Alice J.
1901		Holbrook, Ella
1901		Henkle Nannette
1889		Imhof, Louisa
1899		Ingram, Helen
1899		Illingworth, Charlotte
1883		**Jewell, Mrs. C. M.**
1884		**Jewell, Carrie L**
1888	*m*	**Johnson, Ella (Kinnear)**
1894	*r*	Johnson, Anna
1902		Jackson, C Ethel
1898		Jakobsen, Alma
1881		Knowles, Emma L.
1881	*d*	Kerr Hattie A
1885		Kyle Theresa J.
1890	*r*	Kelly, Lucella
1890	*m*	Kaulback Anna L. (Wilson)
1888		Ketring, Mary, M D.
1891		Kemper, Harriet
1891	*m*	Kennedy Mary E. (Core)
1892	*m*	Keeler Anna C (Manson)
1894		Kidwell, Lola M
	m	Kissack, S. E (McCartney)
1896		Khan Ida, M D
1900		Knestand Bertha E.
1902		Kurtz, Alice W.
1874	*m*	**Lore, Julia A, M. D. (McGrew)**
1878	*d*	Layton M. E.
1878	*m*	Lenning, Sarah (Shepherd)
1884		LeHuray, Eleanor
1884	*d*	Loyd, Mary DeF.
1884	*r*	Latimer Laura
1892	*r*	Lauck, Ada J
1886		Lawson, Anna E.
1890		Lyon M Ella M. D.
1891		Lewis Ella A
1891		Limberger, Anna R.
1892		Lawson Christine H.
1885		Lauck Sarah
1894	*m*	Lee, Irene
1891	*r*	Locke Jennie
1895		Lisam Alice
1897	*r*	Lamb Emma L.
1897		Le ius, Martha
1897		L ly, May B.
1897		Livermore, Melva A.
1897		Lewis Amy G
1898		Longstreet I. D.
1898		Lopez I Grace
1899		Livingstone, Kate
1901		Lewis, Margaret M., M. D. [sell)
1873	*m*	M nell, Nancy, M D. (Mas-
1874	*m*	Mason, Letitia, M D. (Quine)
1878	*r*	Ma ner, Clara
1871	*m*	**McMillan, Carrie (Buck)**
1881	*d*	**Michenor, Emma**

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5	*m*	McKesson, Mary (Conkling)
4	*m*	Mansell, Henrietta (Monroe)
6	*r*	Miller, Oriel
6	*r*	McDowell, Kate M. D.
8		Maxey, Elizabeth
8	*m*	McBurnie, Susan (Bond)
8		Mitchell, Emma L.
2		Masters, Luella M. D.
5	*m*	McGregor, Kate, M. D. (Boomer)
4		Marks, Lillian E.
4		Meyer, Fannie E.
6		Merrill, C. E.
6		Means, Mary
7		Martin, Clara
7		Melton, Mary E.
3		Means, Alice
9		Moyer, Jennie E.
9		Manning, Ella
0	*d*	Mekkleson, Josephine
0		Meek, Mrs. Mary C.
0		McKinley, Mary V.
0	*d*	McKibben, Martha
0		Martin, Emma E., M. D.
0		Miller, Lula A.
0		Miller, Martha J.
0		Martin, Elizabeth
0		Moots, Mrs. Cornelia
1		Marriott, Jessie Alice
1		Moore, M. Alice
1		McKnight, Isabel
2		Montgomery, Urdell
2		McHose, Lotta
3	*d*	Nickerson, Florence
2	*r*	Neiger, Lillian
4		Nichols, Florence
5		Nichols, Elizabeth
3		Newton, Marion
3		Nicolaisen, Martha L.
0		Norton, Anna J., M. D.
5	*d*	Ogden, Nettie C.
		Ogburn, Kate L.
1	*m*	Otto, Alice M. (Selby)
0		Organ, Clara M.
0		Odgers, Eva
	m	Porter, Mary Q. (Gamewell)
2	*d*	Pultz, Elizabeth M.
4	*r*	Priest, Mary
5	*r*	Pray, Susan, M. D.
4	*m*	Perrine, Florence (Mansell)
3		Peters, Sarah
3	*d*	Pardoe, Mary E. V.
4		Phelps, Frances E.
1	*r*	Parker, Theda A.
1		Perkins, A. Francis
2		Paine, Josephine O.
		Peters, Mary
1		Purdy, Caroline M.
1	*m*	Porter, Charlotte J.
		Pierce, Nellie
0		Parkinson, Phebe A.
0		Pak, Mrs. Esther Kim, M. D.
0		Plumb, Florence
2		Pierce, Thirza M.
2		Pyne, Rosa M.

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1879		Russell, Elizabeth
1881	*d*	Rowe, Phoebe
1884		Reed, Mary
1884		Robinson, Mary C.
1886	*m*	Rulofson, G. M. (Thompson)
1887		Rothweiler, Louisa C.
1889	*m*	Rogers, Anna M. (Furness)
1893		Rouse, Wilma H.
1895	*r*	Russell, Martha H.
1900		Rigby, Luella
1900		Rowley, Mary L.
1900		Robinson, Ruth E.
1900		Ruddick, Elizabeth May
1900		Rasmussen, Helen E., Mrs.
1902		Robins, Henrietta,
1902		Robinson, Helen
1869	*r*	Swain, Clara A., M. D.
1870	*r*	Sparkes, Fannie J.
1874	*m*	Schoonmaker, Dora (Soper)
1878		Spencer, Matilda A.
1878		Swaney, Mary F.
1878	*m*	Sparr, Julia A., M. D. (Coffin)
1879	*r*	Sharpe, Mary
1880	*m*	Spence, Mattie B. (Perrie)
1880	*d*	Sears, Annie B.
1884	*d*	Schenck, Linna M.
1885		Scranton, Mrs. M. F.
1885		Smith, Lida B.
1887		Shaw, Ella C.
1888		Sullivan, Lucy W.
1888		Sheldon, Martha A., M. D.
1888	*d*	Simons, Maude E.
1889		Steere, Anna E.
1889		Scott, Fannie A.
1889		Sellers, Ruth E.
1890		Stevenson, Ida B., M. D.
1890	*m*	Sites, Ruth M. (Brown)
1890	*m*	Sherwood, R., M. D. (Hall)
1890		Seeds, Leonora H.
1890		Stephens, Grace
1892		Stahl, Josephine
1892	*m*	Stanton, Alice M. (Woodruff)
1894		Singer, Florence E.
1895	*m*	Sterling, Florence (Lenth)
1896		Spencer, Clarissa E.
1896		Sulerstrom, Anna
1896		Stone, Mary, M. D.
1896		Scott, Emma, M. D.
1896		Shockley, Mary E.
1896	*m*	Spear, Katherine A. (Collier)
1899		Stearns, Mary P.
1899		Samson, Carrie J.
1900		Southard, Ada J.
1900		Stockwell, Grace
1901		Stockwell, Emma
1902		Slate, Anna B.
1902		Seeds, Mabel K.
1902		Soper, Maud E.
1902		Sia, Mabel
1902		Stumpf, Susanna M.
1902		Spaulding, Winifred
1869	*d*	Thoburn, Isabella
1874	*m*	Trask, Sigourney, M. D. (Cowles)
1871	*m*	Tinsley, Jennie M. (Waugh)
1887		Terry, Edna G., M. D.
1889	*m*	Taylor, Martha E. (Callahan)

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1889		Trimble, Lydia A.
1889	*m*	Thompson, Anna (Stephens)
1890	*m*	Tucker, Grace (Tague)
	r	Thompson, E.
1895		Todd, Althea M.
1895	*r*	Tryon, Elizabeth V.
1895		Taft, Gertrude, M. D.
1897		Todd, Grace
1900		Tippet, Mrs. Susan
1902		Turner, Sarah B.
1902		Tuttle, Mary B., M. D.
1881		VanPetten, Mrs. Carrie
1887	*d*	Vance, Mary A. (Belknap)
1889		Van Dorsten, Amelia
1891		Vickery, Ella M.
1898		Varney, L. W.
1871	*d*	Woolston, Beulah
1871	*r*	Woolston, Sarah H.
1874	*m*	Warner, Susan M. (Densmore)
1876	*m*	Whiting, Olive (Bishop)
1878	*d*	Woolston, Henrietta, M. D.
1880	*d*	Woodworth, Kate (Quinn)
1881	*m*	Warner, Ellen H. (Fox)
1881	*m*	Wheeler, Frances J. (Verity)
1883		Watson, Rebecca J.
1885		Wisner, Julia E.

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1889		Wood, Elsie
1884		Wilson, May
1889		Wilson, Frances O.
1891	*m*	Walton, Ida B.
1891		White, Laura M.
1889	*m*	Wilson, Mary E. (Buchanan)
1892		Wood, Catherine A.
1892		Wilkinson, Lydia A.
1894		Wilson, Mary E.
1895		Wright, Laura S.
1895		Wells, Phebe
1896	*m*	Widdifield, Flora M. (Chew)
1896		Waidman, Belle
1896		Wilson, Fannie G.
1900		Williams, Mary E.
1901		Woods, Grace W.
1901		Wells, Elizabeth
1901		Winslow, Anna S.
1901		Williams, Christina
1902		Weaver, Georgia
1902		Wescott, Pauline E.
1880	*r*	Yates, Elizabeth U.
1892		Young, Effie G.
1897		Young, Mariana
1898	*d*	Zentmire, Cora (Brewster)

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Questions to Missionary Applicants.

1. Do you trust that you are inwardly moved by the Holy Ghost to take upon you the work of a foreign missionary?
2. Do you desire and intend to make this your life work, and are you willing to labor in any field?
3. Have you an experimental knowledge of salvation through the atonement of Jesus Christ, our Lord?
4. Have you an earnest desire to win souls to Christ, and how has this desire been manifest in the past?
5. Do you believe in the doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal Church, as set forth in Part I. Chapter I. of the Discipline?
6. Have you a thorough English education?
7. Have you studied Latin or any modern language; what proficiency have you made, and do you readily acquire the same?
8. In what schools have you taught and with what success?
9. Have you a knowledge of music, either vocal or instrumental?
10. What is the condition of your health?
11. Have you ever been married; if so is your husband living?
12. Will you answer by *testimonials* to each of these questions?

Constitution

OF

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

This organization shall be called "THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH."

ARTICLE II.—PURPOSE.

The purpose of this Society is to engage and unite the efforts of Christian women in sending missionaries to the women in foreign mission fields of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and in supporting them and native Christian teachers and Bible readers in those fields and all forms of work carried on by the Society.

ARTICLE III.—MEMBERSHIP.

The payment of one dollar annually shall constitute Membership, and twenty dollars Life-Membership. Any person paying one hundred dollars shall become a Manager for Life, and the contribution of three hundred dollars shall constitute the donor a Patron for life.

ARTICLE IV.—ORGANIZATION.

The organization of this Society shall consist of a General Executive Committee, Co-ordinate Branches, District Associations, Auxiliary Societies, to be constituted and limited as laid down in subsequent articles.

ARTICLE V.—GENERAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

SECTION 1. The management and general administration of the affairs of the Society shall be vested in a General Executive Committee consisting of a President, Recording Secretary, General Treasurer, the Corresponding Secretary and two delegates from each branch, the Literature Committee, and the Secretary of German Work. The President, Recording Secretary, General Treasurer, and Secretary of German Work shall be elected annually by the General Executive Committee. The two delegates and reserves shall be elected at the Branch Annual Meetings. Said committee shall meet in Boston, the third Wednesday in April, 1870, and annually, or oftener, thereafter, at such time and place as the General Executive Committee shall annually determine.

SECTION 2. The duties of the General Executive Committee shall be:

First. To take into consideration the interests and demands of the entire work of the Society as presented in the report of the Branch Corresponding Secretaries, and in the estimates of the needs of mission fields; to ascertain the financial condition of the Society; to appropriate its money in accordance with the purposes and method therein indicated; to devise means for carrying forward the work of the Society; fixing the amounts to be raised; employing new missionaries, designating their field of labor, examining the reports of those already employed, and arranging with the several branches the work to be undertaken by each.

Second. To transact any other business that the interests of the Society may demand, provided all the plans and directions of the committee shall be in harmony with the provisions of the constitution.

ARTICLE VI.—PERMANENT COMMITTEES OF WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

REFERENCE COMMITTEE.

1. The Committee of Reference shall be composed of the Branch Corresponding Secretaries.

2. It shall meet immediately after the adjournment of the General Executive Committee, and organize by the election of a Chairman and Secretary.

3. All cases of emergency that would come before the General Executive Committee, arising in the interim of its sessions, shall be submitted to this committee, and decided by a majority vote.

4. The Chairman shall send each resolution that is submitted to the committee to each member, and when all have returned their votes, the Recording Secretary shall declare the result, and record both resolutions and votes.

5. The committee shall present a full report of its action during the year to the General Executive Committee for approval and permanent record.

6. This committee shall hold a semi-annual meeting, at such time and place as shall be designated by the Chairman and Secretary. The expenses of this meeting shall be paid from the general treasury.

CONSTITUTIONAL PUBLICATION COMMITTEE.

1. This committee shall be composed of the Branch Corresponding Secretaries.

2. It shall meet and organize immediately after the adjournment of the General Executive Committee, by the election of a Chairman and Secretary.

3. All cases of emergency concerning publications, arising in the interim of the sessions of the General Executive Committee, shall be submitted to the Constitutional Publication Committee, and the case shall be decided by the majority vote.

4. This committee shall take charge of the missionary periodicals of the Society and arrange for the publication of an annual report of the work of the Society, and shall have supervision of all business concerning the publications. This committee shall report annually to the General Executive Committee.

5. The publisher shall give the Chairman an itemized report of the receipts and expenditures of the periodicals properly audited, by the first of October. If she finds it necessary to deviate from the published

instructions of the General Executive Committee, she shall lay the matter before this committee, and be subject to its direction. She shall report semi-annually to the Constitutional Publication Committee.

6. A committee of three shall be appointed annually by the Constitutional Publication Committee, to whom shall be intrusted the investment and control of the funds of these publications.

7. The publisher shall commence and close her financial year with October 1.

8. If the office of editor, publisher or member of Literature Committee becomes vacant during the year this committee shall have the power to fill the vacancy.

LITERATURE COMMITTEE.

There shall be a Literature Committee of three whose duty it shall be to provide all the literature of the Society, except the periodicals and General Executive Committee's report.

ARTICLE VII.--CO-ORDINATE BRANCHES.

SECTION 1. Co-ordinate branches of this Society on their acceptance of this relationship under the provisions of the constitution, may be organized in accordance with the following general plan for districting the territory of the church.

NAME.	STATES INCLUDED.	HEADQUARTERS.
New England Branch,	New England States.	Boston, Mass.
New York Branch,	New York, New Jersey.	New York, N. Y.
Philadelphia Branch,	Pennsylvania and Delaware.	Philadelphia, Pa.
Baltimore Branch,	Maryland, District of Columbia, Eastern Virginia and Florida.	Baltimore, Md.
Cincinnati Branch,,	Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky, and Tennessee.	Cincinnati, O.
Northwestern Branch,	Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin.	Chicago, Ill.
Des Moines Branch,	Iowa, Missouri, Arkansas, and Louisiana.	Des Moines, Iowa.
Minneapolis Branch,	Minnesota, North and South Dakota.	Minneapolis, Minn.

Topeka Branch, - - - - - - - - - Topeka, Kan.
Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma.

Pacific Branch, - - - - - - - - Los Angeles, Cal.
California, Nevada, Arizona and Hawaii.

Columbia River Branch, - - - - - - - Portland, Ore.
Montana, Idaho, Washington, and Oregon.

This plan, however, may be changed by an affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members of the General Executive Committee present at any annual meeting of the same.

SEC. 2. The officers of each Branch Society shall consist of a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, an Auditor and such other officers as shall be necessary for the efficient work of the Branch. These, with the exception of Auditor, shall constitute an Executive Committee for the administration of the affairs of the Branch, nine of whom shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. These officers shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Branch, and shall continue in office until others are chosen in their stead.

SEC. 3. The Executive Committee shall have supervision of the work assigned to the Branch by the General Executive Committee, provide for all the needs, and receive reports from all forms of work carried on by the Society, who, by the plan of the General Executive Committee, are to be supported by the Branch.

SEC. 4. No Branch shall project new work, or undertake the support of new missionaries, except by the direction or with the approval of the General Executive Committee.

SEC. 5. Each Branch may make such By-Laws as may be deemed necessary to its efficiency, not inconsistent with this constitution.

ARTICLE VIII.—DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

District Associations shall be formed wherever practicable; said associations to have supervision of all auxiliaries within their limits.

ARTICLE IX.—AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

Any number of women who shall contribute annually may form a society auxiliary to that Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, within whose prescribed territorial limits they may reside, by appointing a President, one or more Vice-Presidents or Managers, a Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, who together shall constitute a local Executive Committee.

ARTICLE X.—RELATING TO THE MISSIONARY AUTHORITIES OF THE CHURCH.

SEC. 1. This Society shall work in harmony with and under the supervision of the authorities of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The appointment, recall, and remuneration of missionaries, and the designation of their fields of labor shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and annual appropriations to mission fields shall be submitted for revision and approval to the General Missionary Committee of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

SEC. 2. All missionaries sent out by this Society shall labor under the direction of the particular Conference or Missions of the Church in which they may be severally employed. They shall be annually appointed by the President of the Conference or Mission, and shall be subject to the same rules of removal that govern the other missionaries.

SEC. 3. All the work of the Woman's Society in foreign lands shall be under the direction of the Conferences or Missions and their committees in exactly the same manner as the work of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Superintendent or Presiding Elder having the same relation to the work and the person in charge of it that he would have were it a work in the charge of any member of the Conference or Mission.

SEC. 4. The funds of the Society shall not be raised by collections or subscriptions taken during any of our regular church services, nor in any Sunday-School, but shall be raised by such methods as the Constitution of the Society shall provide, none of which shall interfere with the contributions of our people and Sunday-Schools for the treasury of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church ; and the amount so collected shall be reported by the pastor to the annual Conference, and be entered in a column among the benevolent collections in the Annual and General minutes.

SEC. 5. Section 4 of this Article (X) shall not be so interpreted as to prevent the women from taking collections in meetings convened in the interests of their societies ; nor from securing memberships and life memberships in audiences where their work is represented, nor from holding festivals, or arranging lectures in the interest of their work.

ARTICLE XI.—CHANGE OF CONSTITUTION.

This Constitution may be changed at any annual meeting of the General Executive Committee, by a three-fourths vote of those present and voting, notice of the proposed change having been given at the previous annual meeting ; but Article X shall not be changed except with the concurrence of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

By-Laws of the General Executive Committee.

I. The General Executive Committee shall convene not later than the last week in October.

II. The annual meetings of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church shall be held at such places as the said committee shall elect.

III. The President and Corresponding Secretary of the Branch within whose precincts the meeting of the General Excutive Committee is to be held, shall fix the exact date of the meetings of said Committee, and arrange for the anniversary exercises.

IV. The Branch Corresponding Secretaries shall meet at least three days before the time of the meeting of the General Executive Committee for the purpose of nominating the members of the Standing Committees, and planning work for its session, and report the same at the opening of said Committee.

V. The traveling expenses of President and Recording Secretary shall be paid by General Treasurer of Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

VI. The order of business shall be as follows :

1. Calling the roll.
2. Appointment of Standing Committees, *i. e.*, Committee on Publication, Committee on Finance, Committee on Application of Missionary Candidates, Committee on By-Laws.
3. Reception of Memorials and Petitions.
4. Reports of Corresponding Secretaries.
5. Report of Committee of Reference.
6. Report of Constitutional Publication Committee.
7. Reports of Editors, Literature Committee and Publisher.
8. Reports of Official Correspondents and presentation of information from foreign work.
9. Fixing place for next meeting.
10. Election of President and Secretary, who shall continue in office until the appointment of their successors.

11. Notice of constitutional amendments.

12. Miscellaneous business.

13. Reports of Standing Committees daily, immediately after reading minutes.

VII. The rules of order shall be as follows:

1. Each session shall open and close with devotional exercises.

2. All resolutions to be discussed shall be presented in writing.

3. No member shall be granted leave of absence except by a vote of the entire body.

By-Laws

OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I.—DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society.

2. The Recording Secretary shall keep a full record of all proceedings of the General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and place the same in the safe of the Publication Office.

She shall present at the anniversary of the Society a report of the year's work. She shall also forward to our foreign treasurers, as soon as practicable after adjournment of the General Executive Committee, a copy of the appropriations for each mission.

II.—BRANCH CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES.

1. The Branch Corresponding Secretaries shall superintend all the interests of their respective Branches; conduct the correspondence of the Society with foreign missionaries; be present at all Branch, annual, and quarterly meetings, and present a quarterly report of the work of the Branch, and give to the public, or direct to be given, all communications and plans of the business of their respective Branches.

2. Each Corresponding Secretary shall be required to furnish in her report to the General Executive Committee the following items: Number of Auxiliary Societies, members, life members, honorary patrons and managers, subscribers to the *Woman's Missionary Friend* and the receipts of the Treasurer. In her report of the foreign work she shall include the number of missionaries, Bible readers, boarding schools, and orphans supported by her Branch.

III.—BRANCH TREASURERS.

1. Branch Treasurers shall be required to publish quarterly in the *Woman's Missionary Friend* their reports of moneys received.

2. The financial year of the Society shall commence October 1st. Branch Treasurers will close their accounts for the year by September 30.

3. The money received from annual memberships shall not be used to make Life Members, Managers or Patrons. Life memberships shall be made by the payment of twenty dollars, given specifically for that purpose. If in installments, the final payment shall be made as soon as practicable, and the membership reported as complete only when that has been done; all the installments to be credited on the Treasurer's book and acknowledged in the *Woman's Missionary Friend.*

4. In case any Branch is unable to meet the obligations it has assumed, any other Branch may, by the action of the Executive Board, be permitted to use its surplus funds in aid of the Branch deficient.

5. Any bequest or donation made to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Branch within whose territory the bequest or donation is made, unless otherwise specified by the donor.

IV.—SECRETARY OF LITERATURE.

There shall be a Secretary of Literature elected by each Branch, whose duty it shall be to assist the Literature Committee through correspondence, by suggestions, by presenting the needs of their respective Branches, and aiding in any other way the Literature Committee may desire. It shall also be the duty of the Branch Literature Secretary to advance the interests and increase the circulation of our literature and publications in every possible way.

V.—FOREIGN TREASURERS.

1. Our Foreign Treasurers shall forward their estimates, properly approved and printed, if possible, to each Corresponding Secretary before October 1.

2. The Treasurers in the foreign field are instructed, upon receiving remittances, to immediately forward receipt for the same; also to forward semi-annually, January 1 and July 1, a financial statement together with balance in United States currency to the Branch Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer. Any appropriation which, for any reason, is not required on the field, shall be so reported by the Treasurer on each April 1 and October 1.

3. The appropriations for the foreign fields shall be paid on the basis of the currency of the country, the exchange therefrom accruing to our treasury with the exception of the salaries of the missionaries and buildings, which shall be paid on the basis of American gold.

4. The funds of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society shall be entirely under the control of the General Executive Committee, to be used only for the purposes designated by that committee. Our missionaries shall not exceed in expenditure the amount appropriated by the General Executive Committee. Emergencies arising during the year can be met only by application, properly endorsed by the missionary authorities, to the Committee of Reference.

5. If any surplus funds remain in the Foreign Treasuries from unused appropriations, exchange, or any other source, they must be reported to the Branches, and held subject to the order of the Secretary of the Branch from whose moneys they accrue.

VI.—OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

The Branch Corresponding Secretaries shall correspond with the missionaries, so as to be able to present a full report of the work in each mission, such information to be presented to the General Executive Committee, the fields assigned to the several Secretaries to be arranged by themselves.

VII.—INSTRUCTIONS TO MISSIONARIES.

We call the attention of the missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society especially to Article X, Section 3, of Constitution, in compliance with which they will consult the Superintendent of the mission in which they are laboring on all general plans of their work, and advise with him as to the most effective measures to be taken in the purchase of property, building and any important undertaking belonging to their special interest.

1. They are expected to attend the annual meeting or Conference of their mission, and they may confer with other members of the mission upon all topics connected with their own department, and will report quarterly to the Superintendent.

2. They will be expected to devote their entire time and attention to their legitimate work, as all their temporal necessities will be provided for by the Society.

3. They are required to send quarterly reports to the Corresponding Secretary of the Branch having charge of their work, and the action of the General Executive Committee will be communicated to them through the Recording Secretary of the Reference Committee.

The General Executive Committee of 1901 authorized the formation of a Field Reference Committee in each of the annual Conferences or missions in foreign fields, each Field Reference Committee to be elected annually by its respective annual Conference or mission.

4. Each Field Reference Committee shall be composed of such workers as each conference or mission shall elect. The duty of said Field Reference Committee shall be to consider all matters of general interest arising during the interim of their annual meetings or conferences, and to report the same to the Reference Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. No communication to the Home Reference Committee shall be considered official without the signature of the chairman or secretary of the Field Reference Committee. Said Field Reference Committee may meet at stated times, or on call, according to their discretion. A majority vote of said Reference Committee shall be binding. Any action requiring the sanction of the home authorities must be made through the Field Reference Committee. This measure is intended in no way to prevent individual presentation to home authorities, but simply to indicate and maintain the purposes of the mission, or conference as a unit.

5. They shall incur no expense during the year to be met by this Society for which the estimate has not previously been submitted to, and approved by the General Executive Committee at its annual meeting.

6. They shall credit to the Society all donations received for the support of their work, and annually report the same with their financial statement.

7. All solicitations for funds for special work must be made through the proper official authorities, and missionaries are instructed not to apply to private sources for aid or support of their work.

8. The estimate for conveyances, munshis and teachers shall be included in the estimates for Bible-women and zenana workers.

9. The estimates for support of scholarships shall include the cost of fuel and lights, medicines, and any minor expenses that are included in the expense of maintaining schools.

10. A medical missionary shall be accountable to the Branch from which she is sent. She shall keep an itemized account of all receipts and disbursements, and report them quarterly to the Treasurer of the Mission, any surplus being remitted to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and her medical outfit shall be the property of the same.

11. If there prove to be a manifest unfitness for missionary labor, the General Executive Committee may cancel its obligations to a missionary whom it has appointed, three months' notice having been given to such appointee by the Committee of Reference, return passage to be

paid by the Society, provided she return at the expiration of the three months.

12. A lady missionary desiring her expenses paid by the Society for a return home from any other cause than that of ill health, must secure permission from the General Executive Committee or Committee of Reference, through the Corresponding Secretary of the Branch supporting her.

13. All missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society are instructed not to adopt any child as their own, and are asked to give a promise that they will keep this rule.

14. All rules pertaining to the relations of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church with its missionaries shall be published in the general annual report.

15. The Corresponding Secretary of the Branch by which any missionary is sent shall be required to sign the following contract: I,——— ———, Corresponding Secretary of ——— Branch, by which the money is raised for the support of ———, agree, on the part of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, to pay the traveling expenses of ——— from the time of her leaving home to that of her arrival in her field of labor, and also her salary from the latter date. In case of illness, I agree, on the part of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, to submit a resolution to the General Executive Committee, or in the interim of its sessions, to the Committee of Reference, asking the privilege of her return home. Such permission being granted, I agree to pay her return passage; and in case her relations to the Society are harmonious, her salary for the first year shall be $350.

If her health demands her to remain in this country, the second year she shall receive $300; and if her detention at home is necessary for a longer period, her case shall be in the hands of her Branch for adjustment.

In case of emergency demanding her immediate return home, she shall bring a certificate of disability from a physician and the Superintendent of the mission.

We agree to furnish our missionaries with necessary outfit and $100 for furniture, if needed, the same to be the property of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

All new missionaries and those returning after a five years' term of service shall have a salary which includes all expenses hitherto classed as incidentals and shall be: In Africa, $500; Bulgaria, $600; Central China, Foochow and Hing-Hua, $600; North China, $650; West China, $450; India, $600; $50 additional in Bombay City for house expenses; Italy, $600; Japan, $700; Korea, $700; Malaysia, $425; Mexico, $750; South America, $750.

First year's salaries: $400, where full salary is $425, $450 where $500; $500, where $600; $525, where $650; $550, where $650, $700 where $750.

16. We recommend, when practicable, that such an arrangement be made for the duties of our missionaries during the first year's service as shall allow them considerable time for the study of the language, and that their salary for that year shall be $400, with $150 for incidentals. Medical missionaries shall from the first receive full salary.

17. Each returned missionary shall be expected to attend the first General Executive Committee session after her return, and her traveling expenses to and from the place of meeting shall be met by the branch supporting her, unless otherwise provided for. Missionaries returning home will please take notice that the charges on freight and duties are very large, and are requested to make these as light as possible, leaving heavy and unnecessary things in the country where they have been working.

18. We accept the relation ot the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society to the authorities of the church, and to our workers in the field, as interpreted by the delegated conference in India, in their session of 1881, as follows:

WHEREAS, Certain usages have grown up and been found acceptable and successful in connection with our older mission field in India, we deem it expedient to formulate the same in the following rules:

1. In general: The position of a lady missionary, placed in charge of work in connection with any of our circuits or stations, is the same as that of a second missionary or "junior preacher" to whom special work is assigned.

2. In particular: The general plan of work, such as establishing new schools, employing and dismissing head teachers, arranging terms of tuition, board, etc., and preparing a course of study, when these matters are not fixed by the Educational Committee, selecting classes of people among whom work may be more successfully carried on, arranging dispensaries and deciding the proportion of medical work to be given to natives and Europeans, Christians and non-Christians, etc., all such *general plans* shall be arranged by the lady in charge of the special departments of work, after free consultation with the Superintendent or Presiding Elder.

3. The lady missionary in charge of work has full liberty to do the work assigned her in her own way, and to carry out the internal arrangement of her department in the manner which she deems best adapted to secure success.

4. The relation of the Superintendent or Presiding Elder to the work under the charge of a lady is the same as it would be were it under the

charge of a member of conference—he having a general advisory supervision, auditing the accounts (when not done by trustees), making suggestions, etc., exactly as with all the other work of his district.

5. Lady missionaries in charge of work, and all missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, are appointed by the President of Conference, at the same time and in the same manner that the appointments of conference are made. Should, however, a President of Conference at any time decline to so appoint, the Superintendent or Presiding Elder in Council will arrange the same.

6. All new buildings or expensive repairs or changes shall receive the sanction of superintendent or Presiding Elder, even though no appropriations of money be asked.

7. A class of laborers are employed in our work, known as "assistants". In the employment or dismissal of these ladies, the consent of the Superintendent of Mission or of the Presiding Elder must be secured. They may be transferred by the Presiding Elder, with the consent of the lady in charge of the department in which they are employed. When these lady assistants, being members of our church, by several years of faithful service, have come to be received as belonging permanently to our body of laborers, they may, on the recommendation of the Woman's Society, when such exists, or by quarterly Conference, be formally recognized by Conference, and appointed the same as women missionaries are.

8. In case of a transfer of a woman missionary or an "assistant" from one Conference or charge to another, a written permission shall be secured, signed by Superintendent or Presiding Elder in whose jurisdiction the person may be employed, when, according to the condition in Rule 7, the engagement may be completed.

OFFICIAL RELATIONS OF LADY MISSIONARIES.

1. Definition of relations of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, as given by the Bishops in May, 1881.

"To the ladies of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society:

"To your questions we respectfully reply as follows:

"1st. We take the liberty to refer you to our action bearing date November 22, 1877, a copy of which is as follows:

'TEACHERS IN MISSION SCHOOLS.'

"1. In the judgment of the Bishops it is not within the right of the Superintendent of a mission to remove lay teachers from the schools to which they have been appointed, nor to interfere authoritatively with the internal arrangements of the schools, unless such right be expressly granted by the missionary authorities at New York.

"2. In case of difference between appointee and the Mission :luding the Superintendent), which cannot be adjusted between the ies without unreasonable delay, we recommend that such difference, ı the papers and facts, be referred by the parties to the Bishop in ge for final decision.

"3. It is our judgment that the missionaries sent by the Woman's :ign Missionary Society should be permitted to be present at the tings of the Mission and to speak on all the matters relating to their ɛ.

Most respectfully and sincerely,

"WILLIAM L. HARRIS."

REQUIREMENTS OF MISSIONARY CANDIDATES.

1. Each Branch shall appoint a standing committee of five, of :h the Branch Corresponding Secretary shall be chairman, who shall stigate the case of any candidate within the limits of the Branch, shall supply such candidate with blank for health certificate and titutional questions, to be filled out and answered by her; and when ticable a personal interview shall be had with the woman by two ıore of the committee before her papers are forwarded to the Refer- Committee, or the committee appointed at the General Executive ting. The Corresponding Secretary of the Branch presenting mis- ary candidates shall have a personal interview with each woman ented before her final appointment to a foreign field.

2. A missionary candidate must believe herself Divinely called to work of a foreign missionary, and assert her belief that she is actuated by a desire to act in accordance with God's will.

3. She must indicate her ability to work in a foreign field by istian usefulness at home.

4. She must declare her intention to make foreign missionary work service of her effective years, and agree to give at least five years of tinuous service, as a single woman, to the work of the Woman's eign Missionary Society, unless prevented by ill-health; this is not ɔe understood in the sense that the obligation to remain in the field ;es at five years, but that her obligation to refund passage and outfit ıey is binding for that length of time; she must also assert her will- ess to labor in any field, though her preference is always to be taken account.

5. The age of candidates must not be less than twenty-five years, or ɛ than thirty years. A special facility in acquiring languages, or call to ish work, may be considered sufficient reason for deviation from this

6. Financial and executive ability, and power of adaptation to circumstances, are essential qualifications.

7. She must present a certificate of health from a competent physician, and give satisfactory answers to the medical questions authorized by the General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

8. Every missionary candidate is requested to sign the following contract:

"I,————, agree to conform to the above requirements and conditions while in the employ of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and failing in this, to refund the amount of outfit and passage money."

9. After the adoption of a missionary candidate, she shall be regarded as under the direction of the General Executive Committee, and of the Committee of Reference, in the interim of the sessions of that committee.

10. The case of any accepted candidate not sent out during the year, shall be brought before the General Executive Committee at its next session.

11. The application of a missionary candidate with corresponding testimonials shall cover the following particulars: Health, adaptability to people and circumstances, executive ability, intellectual qualities and culture, religious experience and usefulness, and general fitness for the work.

First. Health, attested by a properly certified health certificate.

Second. Personal religious experience. Belief in the doctrines and identification with the membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church, experience and efficiency in Christian work.

Conviction and call to Missionary work, and the intention to give to it the service of her life.

Third. Testimonials are further necessary as to grade of scholarship, whether it includes the study of Latin or any modern language, with facility in its acquirement; knowledge of music, vocal or instrumental. Diploma of scholarship.

Certificate of experience and success in teaching.

Fourth. Testimonials are also required as to executive ability, adaptability to people and circumstances, and whatever personal qualities are necessary for greatest efficiency in Christian work.

VIII.—PUBLICATIONS OF THE SOCIETY.

1. The periodicals of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society shall be known as the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, *Children's Missionary Friend*, *Der Frauen-Missions-Freund*, and *The Study*.

2. The editors and publisher shall be elected annually by the General Executive Committee.

3. The territory of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society shall be divided into three sections—The Eastern section to be composed of New England, New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore Branches; the Central section, Cincinnati and North Western Branches; the Western section, Minneapolis, Des Moines, Topeka, Pacific and Columbia River Branches.

4. The Literature Committee shall be nominated by the delegates from the above sections, and elected by the General Executive Committee for a term of three years on the rotation plan. The Committee shall report to the mid-year meeting of the Constitutional Publication Committee, to the Annual Meeting and to the General Executive Committee.

5. In the interim of the sessions of the General Executive Committee, the management of the society's periodicals shall be under the control of the Publication Committee provided by the Constitution.

6. The proceedings of the General Executive Committee shall be reported in the December number of the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, excluding appropriations and unimportant details.

7. The minutes of the General Executive Committee shall be incorporated in the Annual Report.

8. The postage and traveling expenses of the editors of *Woman's Missionary Friend*, *Children's Missionary Friend*, *Frauen-Missionsfreund* and *The Study* and publisher of these papers, and members of the Literature Committee, to and from the sessions of the General Executive Committee, shall be paid from the funds of these publications.

9. In no case shall the amount used in publishing interests, or for any other demands, infringe upon a capital of $5,000 to be retained in the treasury of the Society's publications.

10. There shall be a Constitutional Publication Committee, consisting of the Corresponding Secretary of each Branch, to take charge of the missionary periodicals of the Society and to arrange for the publication of an annual report of the work of the Society. This committee shall report annually to the General Executive Committee.

11. These By-Laws may be amended at any meeting of the General Executive Committee by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

IX—ZENANA PAPER.

1. The Constitutional Publication Committee shall take charge of the funds raised for the endowment of the Zenana Paper and control of their investment and expenditure, and have the general supervision of the interests of the paper.

2. The Corresponding Secretary of each Branch shall have the control of the investment of the funds raised for the support of the Zenana Paper within the bounds of her Branch, with the approval of the Constitutional Publication Committee; the interest on investment to be paid semi-annually to the Treasurer of the Zenana Paper.

3. The Woman's Conference in India shall nominate a committee consisting of five persons, three ladies and two gentlemen, one of whom shall be the publisher, to supervise the interests of the paper and arrange with the Press Committee for editing and publishing the Zenana Paper in the various languages and dialects required; these nominations to be subject to the approval of the Constitutional Publication Committee in America.

4. The Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in India shall send an Annual Report of the Zenana Paper to the Chairman of the Constitutional Publication Committee, with the amount of circulation and items of interest, in time to be presented to the Annual Meeting of the General Executive Committee in America.

5. The Treasurer in India of the funds of the Zenana Paper, shall furnish the Constitutional Publication Committee an Annual Report of the receipts and expenditures of said paper, in time to be presented to the General Executive Committee meeting in America.

6. A report of the Zenana Paper shall be published in the Annual Report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

7. The Treasurer of the Zenana Paper funds in America shall send the interest on the investments direct to the Treasurer of the Zenana Paper in India, only upon order of the Chairman of the Constitutional Publication Committee.

X—ANNUAL MEETINGS.

8. The General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the M. E. Church is hereby authorized to hold its Annual Meetings either within or without the bounds of the State of New York, and at such times and places as said Committee may determine; and said Committee, at its Annual Meeting in each year shall appoint a President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary and other officers of the Society according to its best judgment.

Form of Annuity.

WHEREAS,.....of.....has donated to and paid into the treasury of the.....Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church the sum of..... Dollars.

Now, Therefore, the said..... .....Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in consideration thereof, hereby agrees to pay to said.....during.... natural life interest on the aforesaid sum at the rate of.....per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, said payments to cease on the death of said.....and the said sum donated by.....as aforesaid is to be considered as an executed gift to said Society and to belong to said Society from this date, without any account or liability therefor.

.....Branch of the Woman's
Foreign Missionary Society of the
Methodist Episcopal Church by,

.....

Act of Incorporation.

STATE OF NEW YORK,
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK. } ss.

We, the undersigned, Caroline R. Wright, Anna A. Harris, Sarah K. Cornell and Harriet B. Skidmore, of the City of New York, and Susan A. Sayre, of the City of Brooklyn, being all citizens of the United States of America, and citizens of the State of New York, do hereby, pursuant to, and in conformity with the Act of the Legislature of the State of New York passed on April 12th, 1848, entitled, "An Act for the incorporation of benevolent, charitable and missionary societies;" and the several Acts of the said Legislature amendatory thereof, associate ourselves together and form a body politic and corporate, under the name and title of "The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church," which we certify is the name or title by which said Society shall be known in law. And we do hereby further certify that the particular business and object of said Society is to engage and unite

the efforts of Christian women in sending female missionaries to women in foreign mission fields of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and in supporting them and native Christian teachers and Bible readers in those fields.

That the number of managers to manage the business and affairs of said Society shall be seventeen, and that the names of such managers of said Society, for the first year of its existence, are: Lucy A. Alderman, Sarah L. Keen, Ellen T. Cowen, Hannah M. W. Hill, Mary C. Nind, Elizabeth K. Stanley, Harriet M. Shattuck, Isabel Hart, Caroline R. Wright, Harriet B. Skidmore, Rachel L. Goodier, Annie R. Gracey, Harriet D. Fisher, Sarah K. Cornell, Anna A. Harris, Ordelia M. Hillman and Susan A. Sayre.

That the place of business or principal office of said Society shall be in the City and County of New York, in the State of New York.

Witness our hand and seal this 20th day of December, A. D., 1884.

CAROLINE R. WRIGHT, [SEAL]
ANNA A. HARRIS, "
HARRIET B. SKIDMORE, "
SUSAN A. SAYRE, "
SARAH K. CORNELL, "

STATE OF NEW YORK,
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } *ss.*

On the 20th day of December, 1884, before me personally came and appeared Caroline R. Wright, Anna A. Harris, Harriet B. Skidmore and Sarah K. Cornell, to me known, and to me personally known to be the individuals described in and who executed the foregoing certificate, and they severally duly acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

ANDREW LEMON,
[NOTARY'S SEAL.] *Notary Public*, (58)
New York County.

STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF KINGS,
CITY OF BROOKLYN, } *ss.*

On the 22nd day of December, A. D., 1884, before me came Susan A. Sayre, to me known, and known to me to be one of the individuals described in and who executed the foregoing certificate, and duly acknowledged to me that she executed the same.

F. G. MINTRAM,
[NOTARY'S SEAL.] *Notary Public for King's County.*

STATE OF NEW YORK,
COUNTY OF KINGS, } *ss.*

I, Rodney Thursby, Clerk of the County of Kings and Clerk of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, in and for said county (said court being a Court of Records) DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that F. G. Mintram, whose name is subscribed to the Certificate of Proof, or acknowledgment of the annexed instrument and thereon written, was at the time of taking such proof or acknowledgment, a Notary Public of the State of New York, in and for the said County of Kings, dwelling in said County' commissioned and sworn, and duly authorized to take the same. And, further, that I am well acquainted with the handwriting of such Notary, and verily believe the signature to the said Certificate is genuine, and that said instrument is executed and acknowledged according to the laws of the State of New York.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said County and Court, this 24th day of December, 1884.

[SEAL] RODNEY THURSBY, *Clerk.*

[Endorsed.]

THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Certificate of Incorporation, December 27, 1884.

I, the undersigned, one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, for the first Judicial District, do hereby approve the within certificate, and do consent that the same be filed pursuant to the provisions of an Act of the Legislature of the State of New York, entitled, "An Act for the incorporation of benevolent, charitable, scientific and missionary societies," passed April 12th, 1848, and the several Acts extending and amending said Act. Dated New York, Dec. 26, 1884.

ABM. R. LAWRENCE, *J. S. C.*

STATE OF NEW YORK,
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK } *ss.*

I, James A. Flack, Clerk of the said City and County, and Clerk of the Supreme Court of said State for said County, do certify that I have compared the preceding with the original Certificate of Incorporation of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, on file in my office, and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of such original. Endorsed, filed and recorded, Dec. 27th, 1884, 1 hour, 25 minutes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and affixed my official seal, this 12th day of November, 1888.

[SEAL] JAMES A. FLACK, *Clerk.*

BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE CORPORATION, 1896-7.

HARRIET B. SKIDMORE,
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SARAH K. CORNELL,
ETTIE F. BALDWIN,
ANNIE R. GRACEY,
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ANNA A. HARRIS.

BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE CORPORATION FOR 1903.

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MARY M. QUEAL,
JENNIE B. SPAETH,
FANNIE J. SPARKES.

Forms for Will and Devise.

Special attention is called to the following form of bequest and devise required by the incorporation of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

I hereby give and bequeath to the "Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church," incorporated under the laws of the State of New York .... Dollars to be paid to the Treasurer of said Society, whose receipt shall be sufficient acquittance to my executors therefor.

FORM OF DEVISE OF REAL ESTATE.

I hereby give and devise to the "Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church," (describe land, etc., intended to be given to the Society) and to their successors and assigns forever.

NOTE.—Prompt notice of all bequests and devises should be given to the Corresponding Secretary of the Branch within which the donor resides.

Mrs. H. B. Skidmore, 230 West 59th street, New York, is the Treasurer of the WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY, with power to sign release to executors, through whom the Society may receive bequests, and to perform such other acts as are required by the Act of Incorporation, and which cannot be legally executed by Branch Treasurers.

The following resolution was adopted at the General Executive Committee at Springfield, Mass., and ordered published in the Annual Report:

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of New York, be authorized to accept and receive all gifts and legacies to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, or to any Branch thereof, and to give all suitable receipts, releases and acquittances therefor, under the corporate seal, or otherwise; and also, by the direction of a majority of the members of the Reference Committee given either at a meeting of said Committee, or separately by the individuals comprising the same, to execute under the corporate seal, acknowledge and deliver conveyances or releases of any land or property owned, held or claimed by the said Society or any other instrument necessary or useful for the promotion of the purposes of said Society.

LUCY A. ALDERMAN,
HARRIET B. SKIDMORE,
SARAH L. KEEN,
ELIZA P. STEVENS,
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ELIZABETH M. CROW.

LIST OF REAL ESTATE

Belonging to Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, M. E. Church.

NORTH INDIA CONFERENCE.

Almorah, Sanitarium	$ 2,880 00
Budoan	5,650 00
Bareilly Hospital	18,000 00
Bareilly Orphanage	11,000 00
Bhot	1,000 00
Bijnour	3,000 00
Hardni	800 00
Gonda	2,500 00
Lucknow, College, Home etc.,	56,600 00
Moradabad	9,500 00
Naini Tal, Boarding School	26,600 00
Pauri, Orphanage and Boarding School	10,000 00
Pithoragarh, Women's Home	6,441 00
And Boarding School	6,441 00
Sitapore	5,400 00
Shajahanpore Bidwell Memorial	6,150 00
Total	$164,412 00

NORTHWEST INDIA.

Agra	$ 2,600 00
Aligarh, Louisa Soules School	12,700 00
Ajmere	4,450 00
Allahabad	6,600 00
Brindaban, Calder Home.	4,000 00
Cawnpore	32,000 00
Meerut	10,000 00
Muttra	13,300 00
Total	$ 85,710 00

SOUTH INDIA.

Hyderabad Home	$ 10,000 00
Hyderabad Zenana Home	6,000 00
Kolar, William Gamble, Deaconess Home	5,000 00
Madras, Harriet Bond Skidmore Memorial School and Home	20,000 00
Sironcha, Mary J. Clark Memorial	4,500 00
Raipur	875 00
Vicarabad	1,000 00
Total.	$ 46,875 00

BOMBAY CONFERENCE

Bombay Boarding School and Home	$ 25,000 00
Baroda Orphanage	2,000 00
Chandwa	500 00
Jabalpor Orphanage and Boarding School	12,000 00
Deaconess House	5,000 00
Total.	$ 44,500 00

BENGAL CONFERENCE.

Ansansol	$ 1,000 00
Mozaffurpore	500 00
Darjeeling Queen's Hill Girls' School	30,000 00
Total.	$ 31,500 00

BURMA CONFERENCE.

Rangoon Girl's High School	$20,000 00
" Charlotte O'Neal Institute	20,000 00
Pegu	150 00
Total	$40,150 00

MALAYSIA.

Singapore	$8,000 00

NORTH CHINA.

Peking, Home and School	$14,000 00
" Hospital	5,000 00
Tientsin, Hospital	14,000 00
" Home and School	5,000 00
Tsun Hua, Hospital	3,000 00
" Home and School	5,000 00
Total	$46,000 00

CENTRAL CHINA.

Chinkiang, Home and Hospital.	$10,000 00
Nanking, Home and School	5,500 00
Kiu Kiang	8,500 00
Elizabeth S. Danforth Hospital	4,000 00
Total.	$28,000 00

FOOCHOW.

Girl's Boarding School and Residence	$14,000 00
Woman's School and Residence	4,500 00
Two Hospitals and Residence	11,100 00
Mary E. Crook Memorial Orphanage	3,100 00
Hok Chiang Girl's School	4,500 00
Ku h ng Girl's School	3,050 00
Kuchong Woman's Training School, etc	2,250 00
Kuchong Woman's and Girl's School Compound	722 00
Total	$44,122 00

HING HUA CONFERENCE.

Hing Hua School and Home	$3,000 00
Sieng In School and Home	2,000 00
Total	$5,000 00

WEST CHINA.

Chung King Home	$4,000 00
Chung King School Building	2,000 00
Chung King, William A. Gamble Hospital	5,000 00
Total	$11,000 00
Total for China	$134,122 00

KOREA.

Seoul Home and School	$13,000 00
Dispensary	600 00
East Gate Scranton Home	2,000 00
Dispensary	300 00
Baldwin Chapel	250 00
Pyeng Yang Home, Hospital and Dispensary	1,500 00
Total	$17,650 00

NORTH JAPAN CONFERENCE.

Hakodati School Building and Home	$13,500 00
Hirosaki	1,000 00
Total	$14,500 00

CENTRAL JAPAN CONFERENCE.

Sendai Ladies' Home	$5,000 00
Tokyo Tsukiji	8,500 00
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Nagoya	2,000 00
Total	$56,950 00

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Koga Orphanage	2,500 00
Total	$65,500 00

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Mexico City School, etc	$35,000 00
Pachuca	30,000 00
Peubla	26,000 00
Guanajuato	3,000 00
Total	$94,000 00

SOUTH AMERICA.

Montevideo School and Home,	$ 22,700 00
Rosario	10,000 00
Total	$ 32,700 00

BULGARIA.

Loftcha Home and School	$ 6,500 00

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Rome Orphanage and School,	$ 15,000 00

SUMMARY.

North India	$164,412 00
Northwest India	85,710 00
South India	46,875 00
Bombay	44,500 00
Bengal	31,500 00
Burma	40,150 00
Malaysia	8,000 00
North China	46,000 00
Central China	28,000 00
Foochow	44,122 00
Hing Hua	5,000 00
West China	11,000 00
North Japan	14,500 00
Central Japan	56,950 00
South Japan	65,500 00
Mexico	94,000 00
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Bulgaria	6,500 00
Italy	15,000 00
	$840,419 00

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THROUGH THE NEW YORK BRANCH.

Invested in buildings in India	$5,000.00
Invested in buildings in South America	2,000.00
Invested in buildings in Mexico	2,000.00
Received in 1899 to be invested	8,000.00

Fifty dollars interest to be paid annually on each one thousand dollars invested, to maintain in perpetuity the following Bible-women.

By Angeline Ensign Newman in memory of her

Father —Rev. Datus Ensign, for Bible-woman Mary, in Buenos Ayres, South America.

Mother —Mary Winegar Ensign, for Bible-woman Mary, in Monteviedo, South America.

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One thousand dollars—Gifts to Mrs. Newman for a home for returned missionaries at Round Lake, afterwards converted to this fund by consent of donors, in honor of Mrs. Pruda D. Harwood, for Bible-woman Nora Gill in Naini Tal, India.

To all to whom these presents may come and whom it may concern:

WHEREAS, Mrs. Angeline Ensign Newman has paid over to the Treasurer of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church the sum of seven thousand dollars in seven installments of one thousand dollars each up to date, upon the understanding and agreement hereinafter expressed:

Now, therefore, know ye that the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in consideration of the payment of said sums of money above recited, has agreed and doth hereby agree to and with Mrs. Angeline Ensign Newman and any other person or persons who shall contribute a sum of one thousand dollars for the purpose hereinafter stated, that for each sum of one thousand dollars heretofore paid by Mrs. Angeline Ensign Newman as aforesaid, or here-

after to be paid to the Society by her, or by any other person or persons for the like purpose, the said Society will hold an invested permanent fund of one thousand dollars, and will ever hereafter apply the income thereof, at the rate of five per cent. per annum, exclusively to the support of a converted native bible-woman in such mission field as may be deemed advisable by said Society, and who shall be employed to read the Holy Scriptures in the native language of the country where such bible-woman may reside, for at least three hours in each day to women and children of that country, in their homes or wherever found, who will listen to the reading of the bible.

In witness whereof these presents have been subscribed by the members of the Executive Committee of said Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church at a meeting of said committee held at Cincinnati, Ohio, on the 20th day of May, 1897.

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FOREIGN MONEY.

In India a *Pice* is one fourth of an anna, or about two-thirds of a cent.

An *Anna* is one sixteenth of a Rupee.

The *Rupee* varies in value, and is now worth about 33 cents.

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THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

In the year 1875, when the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society ras just six years old, the General Executive Committee held its ession in the City of Baltimore, in the old First Church, where only our years previous the Baltimore Branch had been formed. There ere then seven Branches only, and just one missionary candidate as accepted for service, and only two returned missionaries were resent, both from India, the writer one of them. We rejoiced over 50,000 paid into the treasury, of which amount the Baltimore Branch ad paid $4,581.

Bishop Ames, who resided in the city, attended the sessions early every day and presided at the anniversary. Nine years pass id again the committee is in Baltimore in the Madison Avenue hurch, receiving words of welcome from that incomparable Chris-an woman, the beloved President of the Branch, Mrs. F. A. Crook, whom it was said: "She carried in her face the peace of God."

The devoted Corresponding Secretary, Miss Isabel Hart, was the reat inspiration and director of the meeting. Four missionaries ere in attendance, and the Treasurer's report reached the sum of 43,199. During the week a meeting was held in the Mount Vernon lace Church for the purpose of creating a public sentiment in favor f establishing a Woman's College in the city. Mrs. Skidmore, Mrs. owen, Mrs. McGrew and Mrs. Nind, the records say, "made charac-ristic and telling addresses." Sentiment soon crystallized, as the n great stone and brick buildings, fully equipped, testify, while from e College halls have gone forth cultivated Christian women to veral of our mission fields.

Again the years pass, nineteen busy years, and the committee in October, 1903 is again in Baltimore in Grace Church, so transformed with its flags and beautiful decorations that one could almost imagine being transported to an Oriental clime. So gracious was the hospitality bestowed all the week of our sojourn, so delicate the attentions on the part of the women of Methodism in the city, that, as Paul said to the Corinthians "We ourselves are your servants for Jesus' sake," for such was their spirit. Memory was busy those days.

We recognized that Baltimore skies were just as blue, the autumnal tints just as perfect, the air just as balmy as aforetime, but many that greeted us in days past have gone and we longed for their presence.

To make us realize that we were on historic ground, Mrs. E. B. Stevens, the Corresponding Secretary of the Branch, had compiled a sketch of historic Methodism in Maryland, with illustrations, which was presented to every officer, delegate and missionary. Upon the beautiful badges provided were pictures of *Lovely Lane Meeting House,* where only a few blocks from where the Committee was in session, was the spot on which stood this little building, where the Methodist Episcopal Church was organized in 1784.

Wednesday evening was given to a royal welcome from pastor of the church, Presiding Elder of the District and President of the Branch. City, Church and Branch united to assure the Committee how glad they were to have such a gathering within their borders. To these words the Secretary of the Columbia River Branch responded, reviewing the work of the nineteen years since last we met in the city.

The days spent in session from October 29 to November 5 were full. From 9 o'clock in the morning until 12 every minute was filled with business, reports, plans, while the last half-hour was given to introductions and announcements. Many visitors were present from all parts of the country and many officers from the various Branches.

The Communion Service, in charge of the Presiding Elder, assisted by many of the ministers, was a very sacred hour. It is always impressive to see the secretaries and workers from all over the country kneeling together with the missionaries who have toiled often in weariness and loneliness, all partaking of the Sacrament. It was a preparation for the days of work and care that followed.

How the Society has grown! There were present forty-six missionaries, eleven of them now or formerly connected with the General Board, while thirty-five were members of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Every afternoon and evening some phase of

their work was presented. Every country where the Society has work was represented save two. Bulgaria has had no missionary present in six years, and while the one with us this year talked of her school, she made no reference to her isolation in that lonely country.

The report of the treasurers was a cause of great rejoicing. Never had they gleaned so much. After months of toil and prayer, they reported the largest offering made in the Society's history—$491,091—an advance of over twelve thousand dollars. Surely there were glad and grateful hearts.

On Sabbath many of the missionaries spoke in the churches, resulting in an addition of about two hundred members to the Society.

The anniversary in the evening was a memorable occasion. The audience completely filled the church. Most excellent music, a report of the year's work, singing by Anna Stone, the Chinese student and missionary, and a most practical address by Rev. Dr. Taylor, Field Secretary of the General Missionary Society, were the features of the occasion.

Many of the Methodist ministers were in attendance, and on Monday morning the Preachers' Meeting adjourned and came bearing greetings through one of their members, to whose words Mrs. E. J. Knowles of New York, made fitting reply.

It was a great pleasure to have present two of the founders of the Society—Mrs. Dr. Butler and Mrs. Kingsbury. Mrs. Butler spoke in a church where, thirty-two years before, she had organized an auxiliary society. Upon every appearance she was greeted with enthusiasm.

A very pleasant social occasion was the reception given by Dr. Goucher at the Woman's College. An invitation came from the Washington District for the Committee to visit Washington at the close of the session and to attend a reception at the Presidential Mansion. Many availed themselves of the privilege, while others reluctantly had to forego the pleasure.

Rev. Dr. Colt, the pastor of the church, was in hearty sympathy with the spirit of the occasion and untiring in his attentions, while Mrs. Stevens and her faithful co-workers left nothing to be desired.

Of the results of the work of the Committee, the business transacted, this Report will give information.

The same officers were re-elected, viz: Mrs. C. D. Foss, President; Mrs. T. J. Gracey, Secretary, and Mrs. H. B. Skidmore, General Treasurer.

The last business of the Committee is the announcement of the appropriations, which this year amounted to $459,351, one Branch, the Northwestern, pledging the largest amount ever named in the history of the Society by any one Branch.

The closing exercises were conducted by Mrs. Keen, who gave a most impressive address.

The next session of the Committee will be held within the territory of the Des Moines Branch.

MRS. J. T. GRACEY.

Official Minutes

GENERAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

THIRTY-FOURTH SESSION

FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1903

The General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign [issionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened for s Thirty-fourth Annual Session in Grace Church, Baltimore, on hursday morning, October 29, 1903, at 9 o'clock.

Mrs. C. D. Foss, President of the Society, called the meeting) order and conducted the opening devotional exercises. She nnounced the 248th hymn "All hail the power of Jesus' name" nd after the singing Mrs. M. S. Huston, former Secretary of the 'es Moines Branch, read the Scripture lesson and led in prayer. fter the singing of the second hymn "Jesus shall reign where'er the un" the Committee proceeded to business. After the selection of eats the Secretary called the roll of delegates, as follows:

New England Branch: Miss Mary E. Holt, Mrs. H. L. Wriston, [rs. E. W. Phillips.

New York Branch: Mrs. H. B. Skidmore, Miss Fannie J. Sparkes, [rs. B. E. Salisbury.

Philadelphia Branch: Mrs. S. L. Keen, Mrs. W. H. Pearce, Mrs. . E. Davis.

Baltimore Branch: Mrs. E. B. Stevens, Miss Fannie Claypool, [rs. E. H. Zeigler.

Cincinnati Branch: Mrs. B. R. Cowen, Mrs. Ida Mitchell, Mrs. V. O. Semans.

Northwestern Branch: Mrs. F. P. Crandon, Mrs. B. D. York, Mrs. A. Riason.

Des Moines Branch: Mrs. Mary T. Thompson, Miss Elizabeth earson, Mrs. Alice Fellows Rigby.

Minneapolis Branch: Mrs. I. W. Joyce, Mrs. George Taylor, Mrs. C. E. Hager.

Topeka Branch: Miss Ella Watson, Mrs. Mary Price Smith, Mrs. F. M. Sisson.

Pacific Branch: Mrs. Charlotte O'Neal, Mrs. George B. Smyth, Mrs. Mary Woodcock.

Columbia River Branch: Mrs. A. N. Fisher, Mrs. L. E. Rockwell, Mrs. M. E. Whitney.

Literature Committee: Mrs. R. H. Pooley, Mrs. C. F. Wilder, Miss E. C. Northup.

German Secretary: Miss L. C. Rothweiler.

Scandinavian Secretary: Mrs. Andrew Farrell.

Miss Watson, Secretary of the Committee of Reference, announced the following committees:

Missionary Candidates: New England, Mrs. E. W. Phillips; New York, Miss Fannie Sparkes; Philadelphia, Mrs. C. E. Davis; Baltimore, Miss Fannie Claypool; Cincinnati, Mrs. W. O. Semans; Northwestern, Mrs. B. D. York; Des Moines, Mrs. Alice F. Rigby; Minneapolis, Mrs. C. E. Hager; Topeka, Mrs. F. M. Sisson; Pacific, Mrs. Mary Woodcock; Columbia River, Mrs. L. E. Rockwell.

Publication: New England, Mrs. H. L. Wriston; New York, Mrs. B. E. Salisbury; Philadelphia, Mrs. W. H. Pearce; Baltimore, Mrs. E. H. Zeigler; Cincinnati, Mrs. Ida Mitchell; Northwestern, Mrs. J. A. Riason; Des Moines, Miss Elizabeth Pearson; Minneapolis, Mrs. George Taylor; Topeka, Mrs. Mary P. Smith; Pacific, Mrs. George B. Smyth; Columbia River, Mrs. M. E. Whitney.

Mrs. Stevens moved that as the hour for lunch was appointed at 12.30, the Committee adjourn promptly at 12 o'clock for introductions and announcements, which motion was carried.

The President made a call for memorials and petitions. Miss Watson presented a report of the Reference Committee, stating that action was had on several points. It was voted to employ field secretaries in the work of the Society subject to certain specified conditions.

The following missionary candidates were accepted by the Reference Committee: Maud Saxe and Agnes Saxe for India; Grace B. Travis for Ku Cheng, China; Norma H. Fenderick for Raichur, India; Virginia Swormstedt, Inhambane, East Africa; Ida May Cartwright appointed to India; Hester A. Thomas to Nagasaki, Japan; Dora Jones to China; Alice M. Northrup to Lucknow, India; L. Maud Wheeler to China; Sarah Elizabeth Wiles to Muttra, India; Mary E. Olsen to Penang, Straits Settlements; Mabel Lee to Japan; Helen

lewitt to Mexico; Edith M. Crane to Montevideo, Argentina; Adeide Siddall to Isabella Thoburn College, Lucknow, India; Charotte McHose and Jessie Peters, appointments not given. The report f this Committee was then accepted.

The Columbia River Branch was authorized to make the Seminry in Foochow the Laura Cranston Memorial Hall. Reports of the ome work were taken up and New England Branch was presented y Miss Holt; New York and Philadelphia Branches were postponed. altimore Branch was presented by Mrs. Stevens, Cincinnati Branch y Mrs. Cowen. So cheering were the reports of these branches that t Mrs. Nind's suggestion the Committee united in singing the Doxology.

Mrs. Dr. Butler, who was present in the audience, was invited to seat on the platform, and was greeted by the Chautauqua salute.

The President announced that the gavel used by her was made om wood in the old Charles Street Church of Baltimore. The eports of home work were resumed and that of the Northwestern Branch was given by Mrs. Crandon. Des Moines Branch was preented by Mrs. Thompson, the newly elected secretary of that branch. Minneapolis Branch was given by Mrs. Joyce, Topeka Branch by Miss Watson, Pacific Branch by Mrs. O'Neal, and Columbia River Branch by Mrs Fisher.

The reports of the treasurers of the various branches were given s follows. Receipts from October 1, 1902, to October 1, 1903:

New England Branch		$33,968.03
New York	"	74,570.00
Philadelphia	"	55,807.09
Baltimore	"	20,643.36
Cincinnati	"	70,207.95
Northwestern	"	119,883.39
Des Moines	"	51,082.00
Minneapolis	"	17,782.00
Topeka	"	24,000.00
Pacific	"	15,726.00
Columbia River	"	7,421.93
		$491,091.75
Amount received in 1902		478,236.03
Advance		$12,855.72

A discussion was had concerning the Contingent fund, as to whether it should be included in the general receipts, when Miss Holt moved that the Contingent fund receipts be included in the Treasurers Reports when given at the General Executive Committee. This motion was carried.

The report of the German work was given by the Secretary, Miss Rothweiler; and the Swedish work by the Secretary, Mrs. Farrell. At 12 o'clock the regular order of business was suspended for announcements and introductions. The following persons were presented to the Committee, Mrs. Eaton, President of the Baltimore Branch, Mrs. Hill, Associate Secretary, Mrs. Morgan, Recording Secretary, Mrs. Hartsock, local Railroad Secretary; Mrs. Wright, Chairman of Committee on Public Services; Mrs. Stanton, on Decorations; Mrs. King, on Luncheon; Miss Thomas of the Missionary Exhibit; Mrs. Moore, of Committee of Arrangements; Mrs. J. S. Rawlings, Treasurer of Baltimore Branch and Mrs. R. E. Clark, Railroad secretary.

The following Missionaries were introduced; Misses Limberger and Hewitt of Mexico; Misses Adams, Parkinson and Varney of China; Misses Hewett, Lewis, Imhof and Bender of Japan; Miss Vickery of Rome; Miss Blackburn of Bulgaria; Mrs. Curtis of Malaysia; Miss Sparkes and Miss Nichols of India; Rev. and Mrs. Julius Smith of Burma; Dr. and Mrs. Spencer of Japan; Mrs. Dr. Baldwin, formerly of China; Mrs. Geo. Smyth, President of Pacific Branch, of China; Mrs. Dr. Butler, of India and Mexico; and Mrs. Kingsbury, of Boston, two of the founders of the Society. Mrs. Mary C. Nind, President Emeritus of the Minneapolis Branch; Mrs. Pearce, President of Philadelphia Branch; Miss Pearson, President of Des Moines Branch; Mrs. Legg, President of New England Branch; Miss Butler, Home Secretary, New England Branch; Mrs. Huston, former Corresponding Secretary of Des Moines Branch; Mrs. Darlington, Associate Secretary, Philadelphia Branch; Mrs. Gatchell, Recording Secretary of the Des Moines Branch; Mrs. York, Treasurer of Northwestern Branch; Mrs. Whitney, Treasurer of Columbia River Branch; Mrs. Williston, Treasurer of the New England Branch; and Mrs. Wilson, Treasurer of the Philadelphia Branch, also the Publisher of the Society, Miss Walden.

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SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

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Miss Hodgkins, Chairman of Committee on Badge, Crest and Seal, presented a report. Mrs. Rockwell moved that the report be accepted with thanks, and the Committee dismissed. The motion was carried. All matters pertaining to the Badge, Crest and Seal have been transferred to the Publishing office in Boston.

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Mrs. Scott, Editor of the "Childrens' Friend," gave a report, which was accepted and referred to Publication Committee. At the close of these reports, the Committee united in singing, "O for a thousand tongues to sing."

Miss Achard, Editor of the German paper gave a report, which was accepted and referred to the Publication Committee.

Miss Northup, Editor of "The Study," reported, which report was accepted and referred to Committee on Publication.

The report of the Literature Committee was presented by the chairman, Mrs. Pooley, Miss Northup gave the financial report of the Committee, which was referred to the Publication Committee.

Mrs. Stevens moved that a Committee on Resolutions be appointed, and that the chair appoint. The motion carried, and Mrs. Smyth, of the Pacific Branch, Mrs. Mitchell, of the Cincinnati Branch, and Mrs. Wriston of the New England Branch composed the Committee.

A telegram was read from the Home Missionary Society in Annual Session at Chattanooga, Tenn., signed by Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, Mrs. F. A. Aiken and Mrs. John Neff. Greetings. Philippians, first, third and fourth verses. Miss Sparkes moved that the Secretary respond, which motion prevailed.

Miss Holt presented a resolution concerning the bequest of $2,500.00, left by Mr. Corbin, of New England. The resolution was adopted, and the Secretary instructed to sign the document.

The resignation of Miss Mary Ninde, Superintendent of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers was presented. Mrs. Stevens moved to accept with great regret, and asked that the Secretary be appointed to write her, which was carried by a rising vote.

Rev. Dr. Goucher, President of the Woman's College was introduced. He congratulated the society upon the success of the past year. He extended an invitation to delegates, visitors, missionaries and friends to a reception to be held that evening at the Woman's College. The invitation was accepted with thanks.

The ordinary business was suspended for announcements and introductions. The following were presented: Mrs. Colt, the wife of the pastor of Grace Church; Mrs. Winks, chairman of Committee on Registration; Mrs. Purnell, chairman of Ways and Means; Miss Sherman, chairman of Committee on Ushers; Mrs. Frame, of the Bureau of Information. Also Mrs. Knowles, Recording Secretary of the New York Branch; Mrs. Simmons and Mrs. Dennler, officers of the New York East Conference; Mrs. Davis, President of the Cincinnati Branch; and Mrs. Bishop Wilson, of the Church South.

The following Missionaries were introduced, Miss Martin, of Penang; Miss Cody of Singapore; Miss Pool, Missionary Candidate from Des Moines Branch; Misses Todd and Glenk of China; Miss Elliot of India; Misses Young, Melton and Allen of Japan; also Rev. Geo. Heber Jones and Mrs. Jones of Korea; Miss Jennie Hughes, Student Volunteer candidate of the New York Branch; Mrs. W. H. Stephens of India. Also Mrs. Hartley, Superintendent of Young People's Work in Topeka Branch; and Mrs. Ruth Sites Brown and daughter. Miss Northup represented the literature and referred to the beautiful souvenir presented to the members of the Committee and Missionaries by Mrs. E. B. Stevens, Corresponding Secretary of the Branch.

Mrs. D. C. Morgan extended an invitation to the Committee from the Washington District, to visit Washington on Friday, Nov. 6th; also to a reception at the White House in the afternoon, and requested the members of the Committee who could attend, to give their names. Other announcements were made, when the Committee adjourned with the benediction by Rev. Dr. Hartsock.

THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1903

The General Executive Committee convened at the usual hour, with the President in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by the delegates of the New England Branch. The Secretary called the roll, after which the Minutes were read, corrected and approved.

The President called for Foreign Reports and the following were presented by the official correspondents. North Japan by Mrs. Fisher, Foochow, China by Mrs. Stevens, North India by Mrs. Cowen, Central China was read by Mrs. Knowles, and Central Japan by Mrs. Keen.

At the conclusion of these reports, miscellaneous business was taken up and a committee appointed to report the proceedings of the committee in the various church papers, as follows: "Northwestern Christian Advocate, Mrs. Bliss; "California Advocate," Mrs.

Woodcock; "Baltimore Methodist," Mrs. Hill; "Western Christian Advocate," Mrs. Curtis; "Central Christian Advocate," Mrs. Wilder; "Pittsburgh Christian Advocate," and "Philadelphia Methodist," Miss Sutch; "Pacific Christian Advocate," Mrs. J. H. Knowles; the "Apologist," Miss Achard; "New York Christian Advocate," Mrs. J. T. Gracey; "Zion's Herald," Mrs. Wriston; "Michigan Advocate," Miss Baker; "Swedish paper," Mrs. Dr. Henschen; and Miss Northup was appointed to report to papers outside the church. Mrs. J. H. Knowles was appointed assistant Secretary.

Reports of Committees were called, and Mrs. Mary Price Smith presented a partial report of the Publication Committee. It was moved and carried to consider item by item. The first and second items were adopted. The third relating to salaries, Miss Holt moved that it be referred back to Committee without discussion, which was carried. The fourth, fifth and sixth were adopted. The one relating to number of abridged annual report referred back to Committee. The eighth, in regard to statistics, discussed and adopted. The ninth, adopted.

The report of missionary candidates was called for and Mrs. Rockwell, Secretary of Committee, presentetd the testimonials of Nora Bell Waugh, daughter of Dr. J. W. Waugh, formerly of India. The report was accepted.

A bill for railroad expenses of speakers who attended the Missionary Convention in Philadelphia to represent the Society was presented by Mrs. Foss, and ordered paid. It was moved and carried that the Committee invite some of the Missionaries to speak. Mrs. Stephens, expecting to sail in a few days on her return to India, made an address, after which Miss Hodgkins represented the Literature. The hour for introductions and announcements having arrived, Mrs. R. T. Taylor, hostess of the day, was presented to the Committee. Mrs. Thomas Sewall was asked to come to the platform but declined. Mrs. Sewall was a member of the Ladies' China Missionary Society in Baltimore, which preceded the organization of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Mrs. Dr. Locke, of Buffalo, and Mrs. Bliss, Home Secretary of Northwestern Branch, were presented.

The following Missionaries were introduced: Mrs. Emma Moore Scott, Mrs. Dr. Badley, Miss Curtis, Miss Nicholls and Miss Hyde of India; Miss Mitchell of China; Dr. and Mrs. Dease of Bareilly, India. Announcements were made for Sabbath Services and the Committee adjourned. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Dr. Dease.

FOURTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1903

The General Executive Committee convened at the usual hour with the President in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by the delegates of the Columbia River Branch. After the calling of the roll, the Minutes were read, corrected and approved.

A call was made for a report of the anniversary on Sabbath evening, which was given by the Secretary. She reported Grace Church full to overflowing, Mrs. Foss presiding. The opening devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Stevens, of the Baltimore Branch, with prayer by Mrs. Mary C. Nind, and singing by Anna Stone. A report of the year's work was presented by the Secretary, then the collection followed. A very clear and practical address was delivered by Rev. Dr. Taylor, Field Secretary of the General Missionary Society.

An announcement was made in the Committee that a lady in the congregation had made a donation of $500 to send out a missionary.

Foreign reports were called for and Mrs. Keen presented a report of Mexico, Miss Holt represented South America, and Mrs. Cowen, South Japan. Burma was called for and Mrs. O'Neal, official correspondent, gave the time to Rev. Julius Smith, who was present from Burma.

The report of work in Malaysia was given by Mrs. Joyce. At the close of these reports the next item of business was the election of officers. It was moved and carried to receive open nominations. Mrs. Stevens presented the name of Mrs. C. D. Foss, of Philadelphia, for President; Mrs. Cowen presented the name of Mrs. J. T. Gracey, of Rochester, for Recording Secretary; and Miss Sparkes nominated Mrs. H. B. Skidmore, for General Treasurer. These officers were unanimously elected.

Mrs. Wilkinson, President of Folts Institute, was introduced and made an address concerning the Institution, what it stands for, what it is accomplishing, and what it needs.

Mrs. Pooley moved that the Committee express thanks to Mrs. Wilkinson, which was carried by a rising vote.

Mrs. Pooley moved that the two points be emphasized in Mrs. Wilkinson's address, vis.: the request concerning attendance of Missionary Candidates at Folts Institute, and the endorsement of the apportionments upon the Branches, and the endowment fund for the Institute.

Miss Sparkes presented a memorial from the New York Branch bearing on the subject, asking that all Missionary Candidates be required to take at least one year of training in Folts Mission Institute. Mrs. Pooley moved to refer to Publication Committee. Mrs. Keen moved as an amendment, that it be referred to the Committee on Missionary Candidates. A rising vote was called for, resulting in a vote of sixteen to four for referring to Missionary Candidate Committee.

Mrs. Pooley moved a reconsideration of her motion to refer to Publication Committee, which was carried.

Mrs. Wilkinson was asked to explain what the society had pledged financially. In reply Mrs. Wilkinson read the action of the General Executive Committee held in Philadelphia, 1901, regarding the Permanent scholarship fund, as follows:

WHEREAS, One year ago the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society decided to create a permanent scholarship fund for Folts Institute, to be raised within three years, we recommend that earnest effort be made to complete this work according to the plan already adopted, which plan is as follows: $100 for each district of the New England, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Cincinnati Branches; $100 for each conference in the Northwestern Branch; $50 for each conference in the Minneapolis, Des Moines and Topeka Branches; and $100 each for the Pacific and Columbia River Branches, to be raised within three years. We further recommend that as far as practicable, gifts from individuals, rather than from auxiliaries, be solicited in the raising of this fund.

It was stated the amount paid in the two years was only $3,148.89, the Branches having paid the following sums: New England, $101,85; Philadelphia, $508.13; Baltimore, $156.75; Northwestern, $86.36; Pacific, $100.00; and New York, $2,196.70.

Mrs. Stevens explained that the requirement of $100 from each District was not accepted by the Baltimore Branch, but the Branch had decided to raise $300. Mrs. Cowen explained that this action was not obligatory, but the amount to be raised whenever practicable.

Reports were called for from the missionaries and speakers who had visited the various churches on Sabbath. Mrs. Dr. Butler reported speaking in Strawbridge Church, where she had organized an auxiliary society thirty-two years ago. Thirty-one visitations to churches were reported, resulting in the addition of about two hundred members, and good collections for the treasury of the Society.

The time having arrived for announcements, the following were presented to the Committee: Mrs. C. W. Baldwin, Hostess; Miss Tomkinson, preceptress of Rust Hall, Washington; Mrs. E. L. Harvey, Superintendent of Young People's Work of the Baltimore Branch; Mrs. Ockerman, Secretary of Literature; Miss Elsie Wood, of South America; and her sister Miss Bertha Wood; the Rev. T. Ukai, Pastor of the Central M. E. Church, Tokyo, Japan.

Rev. Mr. Wilson, fraternal delegate from the Preachers Meeting was introduced and extended the greetings of that body to the Committee. Mrs. J. H. Knowles, of New York, responded to these greetings on behalf of the Committee. Mrs. Dr. Butler was called, and made reference to the hearty co-operation of the ministers of Baltimore in the early history of the Society. Mrs. Butler was invited to the platform. A request was sent up from the audience for Anna Stone to sing, and she responded, singing "Faith of Our Fathers," after which the Committee adjourned with the benediction by Dr. Colt.

FIFTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1903

The General Executive Committee convened at the usual hour with the President in the chair. The opening devotional exercises were conducted by the delegates from the Cincinnati Branch. After calling the roll the Minutes were read, corrected and approved. The business was taken up and Mrs. Rockwell as Secretary of the Committee on Missionary Candidates presented a partial report. Before giving the report she read a word of greeting from Mrs. Bishop Hamilton.

Mrs. Rockwell presented the names of eleven Missionary Candidates; Miss Hu, of China, from the Des Moines Branch; Miss Anna Stone, of China, from the Minneapolis Branch; Miss Lydia Pool and Miss Mamie Glassburner, from the Des Moines Branch; Miss LeDora Deavitt, Miss Bertha Wood and Miss Jennie Hughes, from the New York Branch; Miss Emma J. Betow, from the Cincinnati Branch; Miss Grace A. Crooks, Miss Eleanor A. Moore and Miss Susan Walker, from the Northwestern Branch. These candidate were

represented by their Corresponding Secretaries, or others having knowledge of them, and all were accepted.

Mrs. Smith, Secretary of Publication, presented a partial report, and it was moved and carried to consider item by item. This report covered fifteen different items. The first item was adopted. The second concerning blank form of bequests, devise of real estate, and annuities called out quite a discussion, and as the number of Branches are incorporated, and the laws concerning these matters are different in the various Branches, it was recommended that each Branch should send out its own form. The third was in relation to the abridged annual report, with the recommendation that thirty thousand be issued by the middle of November. Some statements were made to the effect that it would be impossible to do it so early, Mrs. Stevens made an amendment that it be done as soon as practicable. This amendment was carried and the item adopted as amended.

It was recommended that the list of Missionaries in Annual Report, pages 233-36 be alphabetical, and the initials of the Branches be inserted. After some discussion, this was laid on the table. The eighth item that the Annual and Branch Reports, Calendar and Publications be printed in blue bearing motto and seal was adopted. The ninth resolution about Friend, Children's Friend and German paper was adopted. The tenth about the increase of subscribers was adopted.

The eleventh item, that for every ten new subscribers or fifteen new or old, one free copy of Friend be given, was adopted.

The twelfth concerning permanent fund for Folts Institute was adopted.

The thirteenth, the recommendation that Missionary Candidates be required to attend Folts Institute for one year before entering the foreign work, called out a very general discussion. It was proposed to leave the matter in the hands of the Candidate Committee of the Branch. The suggestion was made that the secretaries may set aside this rule when necessary.

Mrs. Mitchell offered an amendment to the resolution by inserting the words "when practicable." The amendment was lost and the original item was re-read and the vote taken and carried.

The fourteenth item was concerning a change of title of the Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers. This was amended by adding the word Companies after Standard Bearers. The amendment was adopted and the resolution adopted as amended.

The fifteenth, which was a Constitution for Young Woman's Societies and Standard Bearer Companies brought out a general

discussion, when it was moved that the matter of the Constitution be referred back to committee by a vote of fourteen to twelve.

The Publication Committee seemed to be in doubt about some of their duties as a committee, and asked for instructions.

Mrs. Hager rose to a question of privilege and desired to know who has the power to instruct said committee. Mrs. Fisher moved that the Publication Committee bring in what they consider to be the very best Constitution. This motion was carried.

Mrs. Crandon presented the following resolution.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed whose duty it shall be to define the work that properly comes before the Publication Committee.

This resolution was adopted. It was moved and carried that the chair appoint said committee.

The President announced Miss Holt, of New England Branch, Miss Pearson, of Des Moines Branch, Mrs. Keen, of the Philadelphia Branch, as the committee to define the work that properly comes before the Publication Committee, with the understanding that this Committee report at the next session of the General Executive Committee. The Literature was represented by Mrs. Nind. The following were introduced to the Committee: Mrs. Corkran, hostess of the day; Miss Adams, chairman of the Music Committee.

The Committee adjourned by singing the doxology with benediction by Rev. Dr. Patterson.

SIXTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1903

The General Executive Committee convened at the usual hour with the President in the chair. The opening devotional exercises were conducted by the New York visitors, Mrs. Dennler and Mrs. Simmons. After the calling of the roll, the Minutes were read, corrected and approved. The business was taken up and Mrs. Thompson moved that the official correspondence be the order of the day at 10.30 o'clock. The motion was carried.

The Missionary Candidate Committee was called, but was not ready to report. Mrs. Pooley presented the report of a Special Com-

mittee appointed by the Reference Committee on annuities, which was read and adopted. (See annuities.)

Mrs. Smith, Secretary of Publication Committe presented a partial report. The first item recommending that returned Missionaries spend at least six months at Folts Institute was adopted. Second, that the Secretary of Literature in every Branch advertise the German paper, and that it be enlarged to twelve pages twice a year. It was suggested that this be postponed until the paper was self-supporting. It was explained that the paper was enlarged once a year and was practically self-supporting. The item was adopted.

Third, that the editor of Friend be allowed $50.00 and Mrs. Scott $25.00 for special contributions adopted.

Fourth, that an allowance of $75.00 be given Mrs. Farrell for Editorial work. Adopted.

Fifth, Thanks to Dr. Henschen for space in the interest of the Society in the "Swedish Semi-monthly paper." Adopted.

Sixth, Thanks to Mr. A. S. Weed, as auditor and recommending his re-appointment. Adopted.

Seventh, that $100.00 be appropriated to the Literature Committee for contributions. Adopted.

The eighth item modifying the 4th By-Law was re-committed.

The ninth item, a Constitution for Young Woman's Societies and Standard Bearer Companies which had been recommitted was presented. Mrs. Mitchell moved that the Constitution be read through before taking up item by item, which was carried. The seven items as presented were adopted.

A Constitution for Auxiliary Societies was then presented and the six articles adopted. The remainder of the report was deferred by expiration of time.

The order of the day, the official correspondence was taken up, and Italy being called, Mrs. Crandon requested that Miss Vickery, of Rome, should speak in place of the official report, and the request was granted.

Bombay Conference was called and Mrs. Huston asked that Miss Hyde should represent the work in Bombay, and the request was granted. Bulgaria was represented by Miss Blackburn, the first Missionary present from Bulgaria in six years. She stated that the name Loftcha, known as the seat of the girl's school, should hereafter be known as Lovetch.

The official report of Korea was read by Mrs. Knowles, and that of the South India Conference by Mrs. Stevens.

Miss Holt presented a legal document from Burma, asking that the Committee grant power of attorney to the Rev. Julius Smith and Rev. Frederick B. Price. The power was granted. At the request of Mrs. Skidmore, Mrs. Knowles asked that Mrs. Bishop Newman, who anticipates attending the Sunday School Convention in Jerusalem, the coming spring, be appointed a fraternal delegate. The motion was carried. Mrs. Pooley gave notice for change in Constitution. Article third, Membership, page 238, Annual Report, insert the words, "two cents a week" directly following the word of, striking out the word shall and adding the letter s to the word constitute, making the portion of the article read thus: The payment of two cents a week or one dollar annually constitutes membership.

This change is offered that the General and Auxiliary Constitutions may be the same. Mrs. Crandon gave notice of change authorizing the formation of a Branch embracing all the German Conferences which shall be known as the German Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

Mrs. R. M. Moore, represented the Literature.

The following were introduced: Mrs. Dr. Bristol, of Washington; Mrs. J. M. Cornell, Treasurer of New York Branch; Miss Sadler, a returned Missionary from India of the Lutheran Missionary Board; Mrs. Scholl, an officer of the Woman's Board of the Lutheran Church and Rev. Dr. Pearce, editor of the Baltimore Methodist.

Miss Swormstedt, an accepted Missionary Candidate of the Cincinnati Branch, en route to Africa, was introduced. Mrs. Davis, President of the Cincinnati Branch, told the story of Miss Swormstedt's call to missionary work, after which all joined in singing the verse, "Roll on thou mighty ocean."

Mrs. Dr. Bristol, of Washington made an announcement in regard to the anticipated trip to Washington on Friday.

Local announcements were made, and the Committee adjourned by singing the doxology and benediction by Rev. Dr. Pearce.

SEVENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1903

The General Executive Committee convened at the usual hour with the President in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by the delegates of the Topeka Branch. The calling of the roll

was dispensed with. The Minutes were read, corrected and approved. The final report of the Missionary Candidate Committee was given by Mrs. Rockwell, Miss Freida Lorenz, of the New York Branch was recommended and accepted. The report of the Committee was then accepted as a whole. Some information was desired about obtaining the age of candidates, which matter was referred to the Reference Committee.

A telegram was read from Miss Mary L. Ninde, stating that owing to illness she had been unable to send a report of her work.

Mrs. Smith, Secretary of Publication Committee, presented a Constitution for District Associations. The first three items were adopted, the fourth in regard to making the District Meeting a delegated body drew out an animated discussion, and several changes were sugggested, but the constitution was finally adopted as read. The last part of the item on programme was recommended to be inserted as a By-Law of District organizations. A Constitution for Children's Work was then presented. The first two items were adopted. The following item which was adopted, is to be inserted as a By-Law of the Society. There shall be a General Secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearer Companies, and a General Secretary of King's Heralds and Little Light Bearers, who shall be elected each year by the General Executive Committee.

The item recommending that an edition of 12,000 copies of the General Executive Committee Report be printed with the price, ten cents, printed on the cover was adopted.

The item recommending that in all Branch Reports a table of cost for special work be inserted was adopted.

The next item recommended that the following be incorporated as a part of Article IV, page 245, in General Report. She shall have charge in connection with the Literature Committee of the exhibition and sale of our Literature at the various public gatherings and conventions throughout the country, the expenses to be borne by the Branch where the Convention meets. When, as frequently occurs, the Epworth League or Student Volunteer, or other convention is held outside of our own country, this duty shall belong to the standing Literature Committee, the expenses to be met from the treasury of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

The item concerning the election of Miss Clara M. Cushman as General Secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearer Companies was adopted. Miss Cushman was elected.

The report of Publication Committee was then adopted as a whole. Mrs. Pooley, chairman of Literature Committee presented the following which was adopted.

WHEREAS, Some Branches have this year published leaflets of more than local interest, be it

Resolved, That all material of general interest be submitted to the Literature Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and that the Branches publish only such matter as is of Branch interest.

The following notice of change of Constitution was presented by Mrs. Thompson.

The first part of Article IX now reading, "any number of women who shall contribute annually may form a society," shall be changed to read, "any number of women who shall contribute one dollar per year or two cents per week, may form a society."

The following was presented by the Literature Committee through Mrs. Pooley and adopted.

WHEREAS, The establishment of a Methodist Press Bureau is being agitated,

Resolved, That we recommend that the Branches consider the formation of what shall be known as the Press Bureau of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. It shall be composed of editorial secretaries, one for each official, semi-official, and unofficial organ of our Methodism, including, if possible, the associated daily press. To this editorial secretary, all reports and items of interest, home and foreign, shall be sent by the patronizing constituency of the individual paper.

The Railroad Committee, Mrs. R. E. Clark and Miss P. J. Walden, made a report that the expenses of the officers and delegates in attendance at the Committee had been reduced to the amount of about six hundred dollars by the certificate plan. A rising vote of thanks was tendered the committee for their efficient services.

A communication from the missionaries in attendance was read by the secretary. It referred to the employment and remuneration of Native and Eurasian workers coming to this country for education. They recommended that they be returned to their respective fields as Christian workers in the employ of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and not accredited as full missionaries, unless the conference to which they go shall by a two-thirds vote request such a relation, and that the salary of such workers be determined

by the Financial Committee of the Woman's Conference with which the workers are affiliated. A motion to lay on the table was lost, and after some discussion the item was adopted.

Mrs. Huston nominated the Board of Managers for 1904, who were unanimously elected.

Miss L. C. Rothweiler was re-elected Secretary of the German work. Mrs. Andrew Farrell was re-elected Secretary of Scandinavian work.

The report of the General Treasurer, Mrs. H. B. Skidmore, was received and adopted. The money to meet these general expenses is an assessment of one and a half per cent. for adult members, and comes from the contingent fund of the Branches.

The place of holding the next session of the General Executive Committee was considered, and Miss Pearson extended an invitation to meet within the bounds of the Des Moines Branch, the place to be announced. The invitation was accepted with thanks.

A vacancy occurring in the Literature Committee by the expiration of time of Mrs. R. H. Pooley, a nomination was made from the central section of Mrs. Wm. Gamble, of Cincinnati, to fill the vacancy. Mrs. Gamble was elected. A word of appreciation of Mrs. Pooley's services was voiced by Mrs. Gracey, and the Committee gave Mrs. Pooley a rising vote of thanks.

Mrs. Gracey made some statements in regard to the endowed room at Clifton Springs. She reported that three of the Society's missionaries had spent some time there during the past year, two from China and one from Japan. She urged that all missionaries desiring to take advantage of the room should make application to Mrs. J. T. Gracey, and not to the officers of the Sanatarium.

Mrs. S. A. Hill, Associate Secretary of Baltimore Branch, was appointed to prepare the annual report of the society.

Miss Todd, formerly of West China, was appointed Field Secretary. Mrs. Abel Bliss and Mrs. Legg were appointed a committee to arrange for her itinerary. The following arrangement was submitted and accepted.

For January, February and March, Philadelphia Branch. April, May and June, New England Branch. July, New York Branch. August, vacation. September and October, Des Moines Branch. November and December, Topeka Branch. Any person desiring her services must apply to an officer of the Branch.

Miss Holt moved that when the Committee adjourned, it be to meet at 1.30 o'clock. The motion prevailed. The suggestion was made that all missionaries attend the afternoon service.

Mrs. Eaton stated that Dr. Ukai, pastor of the Central Methodist Church, in Tokyo, Japan, who had been been in attendance at the committee was about to leave. His mother had been converted through the influence of the Society's Missionaries, and he donated a dollar to the treasury. It was moved and carried that Dr. Ukai be made an honorary member of Grace Church Auxiliary, Baltimore Branch, which motion prevailed. Local Committees made announcements, and Dr. Colt made some remarks, stating that the sessions of the Committee had been a great blessing to the church and the city, leaving behind it a spiritual fragrance.

Miss Walden represented the Literature. The Committee then adjourned by singing the doxolgy and benediction by Rev. Dr. Colt.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, 1.30

The opening devotional exercises were conducted by missionaries. Business was taken up. The Secretary was excused from reading the minutes. Mrs. Nind asked permission which was granted to take a collection to make Dr. Ukai's mother a life member of the Society by the payment of twenty dollars, which was very quickly raised.

Miss Baldwin, in charge of the Literature table announced that she had received $175.90 as result of sales, had taken 13 subscribers to the "Missionary Friend," and 38 subscribers to the "Children's Friend."

The number of Annual Reports to be issued and their distribution having been postponed from the morning until the afternoon, Miss Walden made some statements, and a motion was made that the Reports be sent to the Depots of Supplies, at the ratio of two to an auxiliary, which motion prevailed.

The Committee on Resolutions presented a report which was read by the chairman, Mrs. Mitchell, and adopted by a rising vote. Instructions were given that the resolutions be furnished to the daily papers. (See resolutions.) A series of resolutions were read by Mrs. Ruth Sites Brown from the missionaries in attendance and adopted. (See resolutions.)

The President called upon the Secretaries of the various Branches to announce the appropriations for the coming year.

New England	$34,000
New York	76,200
Philadelphia	45,000
Baltimore	16,150
Cincinnati	55,000
Northwestern	110,000
Des Moines	52,661
Minneapolis	19,399
Topeka	26,779
Pacific	17,041
Columbia River	7,300
	$459,530

The largest appropriation ever made by any one Branch was announced by the Secretary of the Northwestern Branch, which announcement was received with much enthusiasm.

This concluded the business of the Committee. The President called upon Mrs. Keen, Corresponding Secretary of the Philadelphia Branch to conduct the closing devotional exercises. The 587th hymn, "Soldiers of Christ arise," was sung, after which Mrs. Mary C. Nind led in prayer. Mrs. Keen made an address and offered a closing prayer, and the thirty-fourth session of the General Executive Committee then adjourned.

MRS. J. T. GRACEY, Secretary.

Proposed Changes in Constitution

Notice of the following changes in Constitution were given at the General Executive Committee held in Baltimore, 1903.

Article III.—Membership, Insert the words, "two cents a week" directly following the word of, striking out the word shall and adding the letter s to the word constitute, making the article read, the payment of two cents a week or one dollar annually constitutes membership.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. R. H. POOLEY.

The first part of Article IX now reading, "any number of women who shall contribute annually, may form a society," shall be changed to read, "any number of women who shall contribute one dollar per year or two cents per week, may form a society."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. H. THOMPSON.

The formation of a Branch embracing all the German Conferences which shall be known as the German Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. F. P. CRANDON.

Resolutions Adopted by General Executive Committee

LITERATURE AT CONVENTIONS.

WHEREAS, There is a growing demand for the exhibition and sale of our literature at the various public gatherings and conventions held yearly throughout the country,

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of Literature within whose borders the convention is held to have the entire charge of all such exhibitions and sales, the expenses to be borne by the Branch where the convention meets. When, as frequently occurs, the Epworth League, Student Volunteer or other convention is held outside of our own country, this duty shall belong to the standing Literature Committee, the expenses to be met from the treasury of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. 1901.

EXPENSES OF DELEGATES.

In order to meet the traveling expenses of officers, delegates and missionaries to the General Executive meetings and other legitimate expenses in connection with the general work of the society,

Resolved, That a sum equal to one and one-half cents per member, not including young woman's and children's societies, shall be paid by the Branches annually to the General Treasurer of the Society. 1901.

PERMANENT FUND FOR FOLTS INSTITUTE.

WHEREAS, The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has received the magnificent gift of Folts Institute at Herkimer, N. Y., believing that it should become a great factor in our work; therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend that a fund called the "Permanent Scholarship Fund" be raised to provide for the expenses of such pupils of Folts Institute as are unable to meet their expenses, and that we recommend this appointment: one hundred dollars for each District of the New England, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Cincinnati Branches; one hundred dollars for each Conference in the Northwestern Branch; fifty dollars for each Conference in the

Minneapolis, Des Moines and Topeka Branches, and one hundred dollars each for the Pacific and Columbia River Branches—to be raised within three years. We further recommend that, as far as practicable, gifts from individuals rather than from auxiliaries be solicited in the raising of this fund. 1901.

MISSIONARY BED.

Resolved, That, as a body, we appreciate most highly the gift from Mrs. Henry Foster, of Clifton Springs, of a partially endowed missionary bed in the Sanitarium for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, in memory of her late husband, the room to be available to the missionaries of the Society at home broken in health, expecting to return to their fields. 1901.

DELEGATES.

Resolved, That no woman not elected delegate or alternate by her Branch to the General Executive Committee shall be admitted as a member of said committee. 1902.

REPORTS.

Resolved, That reports presented by the various committees and individuals authorized by the General Executive Committee shall be limited to ten minutes in length of reading. 1902.

PUBLICATION COMMITTEE.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed whose duty it shall be to define the work that properly comes before the Publication Committee. 1903. (See minutes, 5th day.)

LITERATURE.

Resolved, That the literature on sale at the meeting of the General Executive Committee shall be under the supervision of the Literature Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and of the Branch in the bounds of which it is held. 1903.

RECOMMENDATION.

The Literature Committee recommend that the Branches consider the formation of what shall be known as the Press Bureau of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. This Bureau shall be composed of editorial secretaries, one for each official, semi-official and unofficial organ of our Methodism, including if possible, the associated daily press. To this editorial secretary, all reports and items of interest, home and foreign, shall be sent by the patronizing constituency of the individual paper. 1903.

Resolutions of Missionaries

We, the missionaries present at the meeting of the General Executive Committee, feeling that especial care and kindness have been shown us by the pastor of Grace Church, by our hostesses, the entertainment committee, the Woman's College and the various churches of the city, take this means of expressing our deep appreciation of the warm southern hospitality, which has made the whole of Baltimore, a "home" to us; our thanks for the beautiful souvenir which will be a reminder in our various fields of labor of the charming homes, the kind hearts, the historical interest and bright skies of Baltimore; our enjoyment of the meetings, of the personal touch with the officers and other home-workers, which has given us an inspiration to deeper consecration and nobler service.

(Signed) M. E. VICKERY, Rome, Italy.
NETTIE M. HYDE, Jabalpur, India.
ELLA J. HEWITT, Hakodate, Japan.

Special Resolutions

We, a committee of missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and the wives of members of the General Society, beg leave to present the following resolutions to the Reference Committee:

WHEREAS, The number of native and Eurasian workers coming to our home colleges for training, is yearly increasing, and

WHEREAS, We realize that the status of these workers, and their remuneration is a question of such grave importance to the work at present as well as to the future, when the native church must assume the obligations which we create, and

WHEREAS, The law of supply and demand should determine values rather than personal predilections therefore, be it

Resolved, That we recommend that the Eurasian, Anglo-Indian and native workers educated in foreign lands, be returned to their respective fields as christian workers in the employ of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and *not* as fully accredited missionaries, unless the conference to which they go, by a two-thirds vote request such a relation.

II.—That the remuneration of such workers shall be determined by the finance committee of the woman's conference with which these workers are affiliated.

III.—That we recommend that those who contemplate the education of native, Eurasian or Anglo-Indian women in the Methodist schools of our homeland, be required to secure the approval of the woman's conference within whose borders such students reside.

Signed by Missionaries,

Endorsed by Finance Committee.

Report of Committee on Resolutions

Grateful to our Heavenly Father who has so signally blessed the labors of the past year in giving us the largest harvest in our history, we, the members of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in General Executive Committee convened on historic ground in this most beautiful city of Baltimore, known for its palatial homes and christian hospitality, the cradle of Methodism and the birthplace of our national anthem, "The Star Spangled Banner," do rejoice that we have been able to place almost a half million dollars in the treasury of the Lord for His work.

"It is the Lord's doings and it is marvelous."

Resolved, That we appreciate the onerous labors of our General Officers, Branch Secretaries and Missionaries who have in a large measure made the year's work possible, and this session one of the best in our history.

Resolved, That we gratefully acknowledge the goodness of God in sparing the lives of two of the original founders of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Mrs. Dr. Wm. Butler and Mrs. Thos. Kingsbury, and permitting them to be with us in this meeting.

WHEREAS, So many positions of importance have been made vacant during the year by translations to the church triumphant of members of our ranks, who have endeared themselves to us because of their executive ability, wisdom, benevolence, spiritual culture and personal loveliness,

Resolved, That we will endeavor to emulate their virtues and more diligently do our Father's business, remembering the white harvest field and the brevity of human life.

WHEREAS, Mrs. M. S. Huston, for sixteen years Corresponding Secretary of the Des Moines Branch, has moved her residence from the bounds of that Branch, therefore

Resolved, That we congratulate her on the splendid record she has made of thorough, loving service and rejoice that she may still aid in the work in another Branch, and that we welcome her successor, praying that the work may prosper in her hands.

Resolved, That we regret the necessity which has compelled Miss Mary L. Ninde to resign her office as Secretary of Young Woman's

Work and Standard Bearers, and that we express our appreciation of her efficiency and give unstinted sympathy to her in the great sorrow which has fallen to her lot, and pray for her speedy recovery to health and strength.

Resolved, That we extend our sincere thanks to Mrs. E. B. Stevens, Corresponding Secretary of the Baltimore Branch, for her thoughtfulness in anticipating the varied needs of the Executive Committee, proving herself fertile in expedients and unflagging in her endeavors to make us comfortable, and especially for her generosity in preparing for us the beautiful souvenir of Methodism.

To Mrs. Samuel Alexander Hill, general chairman of local committees, who, by her wisdom, alertness and skill in looking after details, has been to us a training in christian courtesy.

To Mrs. A. H. Eaton and the other hostesses, who, by their cordiality and words of gracious appreciation have made us feel that we were being served indeed by members of the Royal family, daughters of the King; to Mrs. J. T. King, chairman of the lunch committee, who, in an incomparable manner has administered to our temporal wants; to Miss Eva Adams, chairman of music committee, who has been so prompt, faithful and efficient, and to the choirs and soloists who have entertained us by their excellent vocal numbers; to the chairmen of the various committees who have done so much for our comfort; to the courteous officials of the Postoffice; to the Press which has so correctly reported the proceedings, and to the railroads who have served us so liberally; to the Ushers who have been untiring; to the Sextons of both churches, and to all others who have helped to please the eye and cheer the heart; to the Presbyterian Church for the privilege of its use for committee meetings; to the women of Washington District who generously planned a day in the Capital of the United States, to culminate in a reception by the President.

Resolved, That we appreciate the brotherly kindness of the ministers of the city who opened their pulpits on Sabbath to our representatives, and without whose aid the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society would be well nigh impossible.

Resolved, That our thanks are especially due to the pastor of this church, Dr. Don S. Colt, who has proved himself a true Shepherd of Israel, joyfully fulfilling the apostolic injunction, "Help those women which labored with me in the Gospel."

Resolved, That the pleasure of our visit has been greatly enhanced by the President of the Woman's College of Baltimore, the Rev. John F. Goucher, D.D., who gave us a charming social evening within the College Halls.

WHEREAS, The friends who have entertained us have literally given us the freedom of their hospitable homes, providing for our comfort as if we were indeed sisters beloved and not strangers.

Resolved, That we will cherish holy and happy memories of this meeting throughout all time, and we will ever pray that the blessing of Almighty God may be upon these "Vestibules of Heaven," even as it rested in olden times upon the house of Obed Edom, wherein the Ark of the Covenant rested.

MRS. GEO. B. SMYTH.
MRS. IDA M. MITCHELL.
MRS. H. L. WRISTON.

Report of Publication Committee

I.—*Resolved,* That in the "Woman's Missionary Friend," the "Children's Missionary Friend," and the "Frauen-Missions-Freund," we possess an important and growing force in our work; interest is created and increased wherever they are faithfully read. We rejoice that the subscriptions to our periodicals still continue to increase—the past year the increase amounting to over 4,000, therefore

II.—*Resolved,* That we will not relax our efforts to reach our goal, which is one subscriber to the "Woman's Missionary Friend" for every five members of our society, fifty thousand for the "Children's Missionary Friend," and five thousand for the "Frauen-Missions-Freund." To this end we recommend the continuance and emphasizing of the plan adopted two years ago, which plan was as follows:

Each Branch Secretary of literature shall write a personal letter to each Conference Secretary, urging the matter of circulation, and asking that special effort be made to bring up the circulation to the figures named. Each Conference Secretary shall write to each District Secretary, and she in turn to each auxiliary agent for the "Friends," such agents being requested to ask every woman in our church to take these papers. These agents, having completed the canvass should report to the District Secretary, the District Secretary to the Conference Secretary, and the Conference Secretary to the Branch Secretary of literature, who shall report to the "Friend," thus completing the circuit. In the Branches where the office or agent of periodicals is recognized, the correspondence, as indicated above, shall be carried on by those officers rather than the secretaries named.

III.—*Resolved,* That we recommend that for every ten new subscriptions or for every fifteen subscriptions, new or old, to the "Woman's Missionary Friend," one additional copy be given, provided the entire list be sent to the publisher at one time.

IV.—*Resolved,* That we recommend that the Secretary of Literature in every Branch make special effort to introduce the "Frauen-

Missions-Freund," among students of German, in all seminaries and colleges in her territory, that it always be found on our tables of literature, and that twice a year it be enlarged to twelve pages.

V.—*Resolved*, That we recommend that each time a list of the missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society appears in the "Woman's Missionary Friend" that it be followed with the names of the wives of missionaries who also have charge of work under the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

VI.—*Resolved*, That we recommend the continuance in office of Miss Louise M. Hodgkins as editor of the "Woman's Missionary Friend," of Mrs. O. W. Scott as editor of the "Children's Missionary Friend, of Miss A. M. Achard as editor of the "Frauen-Missions-Freund, of Miss Elizabeth Northup as editor of the "Study," and of Miss Pauline J. Walden as publisher.

VII.—*Resolved*, That the editor of the "Woman's Missionary Friend" be allowed $50, and the editor of the "Children's Missionary Friend," $25 for special contributions.

VIII.—*Resolved*, That we recommend that the following salaries be paid for the ensuing year: To the editor of the "Woman's Missionary Friend," $700; to the editor of the "Children's Missionary Friend," $300; to the editor of the "Frauen-Missions-Freund," $250; to the editor of the "Study," $100; to the publisher, $700.

IX.—*Resolved*, That we recommend an edition of 12,000 copies of the 34th Annual Report, the price, ten cents, to be printed on the cover.

X.—*Resolved*, That 30,000 copies of the abridged Annual Report, by Mrs. J. T. Gracey, be printed and distributed as free leaflets to auxiliaries, the Conference Secretaries furnishing a copy to each pastor.

WHEREAS, There is a growing demand by all Christian workers for figures and facts,

XI.—*Resolved*, That a page in the Annual Report be given to a tabulated statement of the number of missionaries, native teachers. bible-women, pupils, colleges, schools, orphanages and hospitals, for ready reference, and that up-to-date maps of our mission fields continue to be inserted.

WHEREAS, At Branch and District meetings, literature has been sold independently,

XII.—*Resolved*, That only our authorized agents sell literature at such meetings.

XIII.—*Resolved,* That the literature on sale at the meeting of the General Executive Committee, shall be under the supervision of the Literature Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and of the Branch in the bounds of which it is held.

XIV.—*Resolved,* That we recommend that the following be incorporated as a part of Article IV, page 245: She shall have charge in connection with the Literature Committee of the Exhibition and Sale of our literature at the various public gatherings and conventions throughout the country, the expenses to be borne by the Branch where the convention meets. For Article VIII: When, as frequently occurs, the Epworth League, Student Volunteer or other convention is held outside of our own country, this duty shall belong to the standing Literature Committee, the expenses to be met from the treasury of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

WHEREAS, The Prayer Calendar for 1904, presents a comprehensive view of every phase of missionary work,

XV.—*Resolved,* That we congratulate the editors on the value of its references and illustrations, and urge each Branch to circulate the calendar as a means of education.

XVI.—*Resolved,* That the issue of the Prayer Calendar for 1905 be four thousand copies.

XVII.—*Resolved,* That we recommend that not only the Annual Report and all Branch Reports be printed in dark blue on light blue covers, with the title and year printed on the back, but recommend also that the cover of the Calendar, all District, Conference and Auxiliary programs, have the colors adopted by our Society, and bear our motto and seal.

XVIII.—*Resolved,* That we recommend that a By-Law be inserted in the By-Laws of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, to be known as By-Law V, and to read as follows:

There shall be a General Secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers, and a General Secretary of King's Heralds and Little Light Bearers, who shall be elected each year by the General Executive Committee. Adopted.

XIX.—*Resolved,* That we recommend the election of Mrs. Lucie F. Harrison as General Secretary of Children's work, including Little Light Bearers.

XX.—*Resolved,* That with continued appreciation we express our gratitude to Mr. A. S. Weed, as auditor, for valuable service willingly given, and recommend his reappointment.

XXI.—*Resolved,* That $100 be appropriated and placed at the disposal of the Literature Committee, for use in the purchase of manuscript.

XXII.—We recommend that the treasurer of the Minneapolis Branch be authorized to draw on the funds of the Publishing House for $75 to be used in the interest of literature for the Scandinavian work, the same to be at the order of a committee composed of the secretary of the Minneapolis Branch and the secretary of Scandinavian work.

XXIII.—*Resolved,* That we express our gratitude to Dr. William Henschen, for granting us four columns of space semi-monthly in the "Sandebudet," to represent the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

XXIV.—*Resolved,* That we recommend the insertion of a clause in the By-Laws of the General Executive Committee, covering the following two points:

First, The manner of nomination and election of General Officers and Secretaries of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers, and Children's Work.

Second, An outline of the duties of the Publication Committee.

XXV.—*Resolved,* That we recommend the election of Miss Clara M. Cushman as General Secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearer companies.

XXVI.—*Resolved,* That we recommend the publication by each Branch of blank forms of Bequests of Devise of Real Estate and Annuity for use of our officers in the work of the Society.

XXVII.—*Resolved,* That we recommend the insertion in all Branch Annual Reports of a table stating extremes of cost for special work, such as Bible-women, orphans and scholarships.

XXVIII.—*Resolved,* That we recommend an earnest united effort to carry out the plan decided upon two years ago by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, for creating a permanent scholarship fund for Folts Mission Institute, which plan is as follows: $100 for each District of the New England, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Cincinnati Branches; $100 for each Conference in the Northwestern Branch; $50 for each Conference in the Minneapolis, Des Moines and Topeka Branches; and $100 each for the Pacific and Columbia River Branches, to be raised within three years. We further recommend that as far as practicable gifts from individuals, rather than from auxiliaries, be solicited in the raising of this fund.

XXIX.—*Resolved,* That we recommend that missionary candidates shall be required to attend our Foreign Missionary Training

School, Folts Mission Institute, at Herkimer, N. Y. for at least one year. In exceptional cases the Branch standing committee on candidates shall have power to suspend this rule.

XXX.—*Resolved,* That we recommend that returned missionaries spend at least six months at the Institute.

MISS ELIZABETH PEARSON, *Chairman.*
MRS. MARY PRICE SMITH, *Secretary.*

Report of Committee on Missionary Candidates

The applications and endorsements of the following candidates were received and accepted by the committee:

New York Branch—Miss La Dora Deavitt, Willsboro, N. Y.; Miss Jennie V. Hughes, South Orange, N. J.; Miss Freida V. Lorenz, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Miss Bertha R. Wood, Lima, Peru, S. A.

Cincinnati Branch—Miss Emma J. Beton, Louisville, Ky.; Miss Nora Belle Waugh, Delaware, Ohio.

Northwestern Branch—Miss Grace A. Crooks, Charlotte, Mich.; Miss Eleanor S. Moore, Nashville, Tenn.; Miss Susan A. Walker, Chicago, Ill.

Des Moines Branch—Miss Mamie Glassburner, Charter Oak, Iowa; Miss Lydia Pool, Mount Pleasant, Iowa; Miss May Hu, Foochow, China.

Minneapolis Branch—Miss Anna Stone, Foochow, China.

Accepted by Reference Committee during the year:

New England Branch—Miss Adalaide Siddall, Albion, Mich.

New York Branch—Miss Maud E. Saxe, Miss Agnes Saxe, Walden, N. Y.; Miss Grace B. Travis, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Philadelphia Branch—Miss Norma H. Fenderich, Allegheny, Pa.

Cincinnati Branch—Miss Virginia Swormstedt, Wyoming, Ohio; Miss Ida May Cartwright, Youngstown, Ohio; Miss Hester A. Thomas, Lancaster, Ohio; Mrs. S. M. Eddy, Medina, Ohio.

Northwestern Branch—Miss Dorothy Jones, Joliet, Ill.; Miss Alice M. Northup, Evanston, Ill.; Miss L. Maud Wheeler, Lake Mills, Wis.; Miss Jessie I. Peters, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Wiles; Miss Helen Hewitt, Elgin, Ill.; Miss Edith M. Crane, Minneapolis; Miss Mary E. Olson, Afton, Minnesota; Miss Mabel Lee, Grand Forks, North Dakota.

We endorse the action of the Reference Committee.

MISS FANNIE J. SPARKES, *Chairman.*
MRS. L. E. ROCKWELL, *Secretary.*

Report of Committee on Badge, Seal and Crest

Your committee did not wait to return from the Minneapolis :xecutive of 1902 before making arrangements at Chicago to put the adge, seal and crest in the hands of the various Branches, as direc-:d by this body. The results have been as follows:

otal number of pins ordered to date	4,000
otal number of pins received from C. D. Peacock	3,600
otal number of pins ordered, not delivered	400
'otal number of pins received from C. D. Peacock	3,600
otal number of pins sent Branches	3,080
otal number of pins in hands of Committee	320
. D. Peacock's invoices to date	$2,894.41
otal paid thereon	1,614.41
Balance not paid	$1,280.00
'otal realized on pins and electros delivered Branches (including one sample pin, $1)	$2,634.96
'otal cost of pins and electros delivered Branches	2,478.41
Surplus for General Executive Contingent Fund	$156.55
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xpenses Committee	17.82
Net surplus	$138.73
otal received from pins and electros delivered Branches	$2,634.96
'otal paid thereon by Branches	1,818.98
Balance not paid by Branches	$815.98
'otal cash received from sale pins and electros	$1,818.98
otal disbursements	1,632.23
Balance cash in hands of Committee	$186.75

The committee, in presenting this report, recommend that the usiness, now on a firm basis, be placed in the general office in Boston, [ass.

MISS L. M. HODGKINS.
MRS. R. E. CLARK.
MISS NINA LINCOLN

Report of Literature Committee

One more year's work for Jesus,
One less of life for me;
But Heaven is nearer,
And Christ is dearer
Than last year—to me—

And let me add to our motto, Saved for Service, "Love lives to serve" and wherein we have failed to serve, it has not been for lack of love. Ideals lead us on and work for Christ, for love, for heaven, though falling far short of our ideals will bring forth fruit mayhap—a hundred fold.

If anyone could have foretold the future to this committee as we parted in that beautiful city of Minneapolis one year ago, each in turn would have cried out as did old Nokomis, "Wahonowin! Wahonowin!"

Flood and destruction of property, sickness followed by eternal life, known here as death, have entered our homes, and the sun goes on its journey of day and night in a routine known only to the waiting heart. Ofttimes the messages have been sent over the country from aching hearts and heads, but we remembered the kindly constituency that welcomed the printed page sent out by this committee and took courage.

We have completed the first trio of years under what will ever be known as the new regime of Literature Work in the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Only one member of the former Literature Committee, your present chairman, was left to face the new problem, and during these three years she has had at different times, five different helpers, only one of whom has been able to serve two years. Hence we feel that in this time, but a faint idea has been obtained of what can be accomplished by this sectional representation.

The growth of this department of literature has been marvelous. In one Branch alone, the sales this year have increased $1,000, or more than double those of two years ago.

The report and samples of literature from Japan, sent by Miss Georgiana Baucus, are a delight to our souls. She says: For a week

or ten days we had our literature on view at our rooms in the hotel at Karuizawa, selling and taking orders and consulting with other workers. We have returned from this trip, full of enthusiasm and fresh energy to write and translate and print with all diligence and speed, to supply the constantly increasing demand for christian literature. The walls of prejudice have fallen, people are ready to hear and ready to read, and the limitless opportunities that stretch out before us are tempting beyond description. It is a grand time to be a worker in Japan. Miss Baucus reports 16 new publications, 12 reprints, total, 519,800 pages, 276,000 cards.

The Woman's Conference Minutes and other publications are as reported last year, and we also acknowledge with pleasure, the receipt of many sample programs and various college announcements.

The report of the German Literature as presented by the Secretary, Miss Rothweiler, is very satisfactory indeed. All the expenses of this department were met from sales, which amounted to $125, a small increase over last year. The "Study" is printed, the "German Friend" and some of the younger people have made use of "Lux Christi."

There have been published from October 1, 1902, to October 1, 1903:

4,000	Annual Reports, 28 pp. each	112,000
2,000	Widows in India	32,000
300	Constitutions for Young Ladies and Standard Bearer Companies	1,200
300	Constitutions for King's Heralds	7,200
2,000	King's Heralds Cards	2,000
300	Circular Letters	600

Total pages 149,000, Annual Reports sent to Europe 1450, retained in America 2550, Annual Reports sold 1319.

We welcome with pleasure the first report of leaflets for our Swedish constituency. 88,000 pages have been sent out by Mrs. Andrew Farrell and Mrs. Wm. Henschen, of Chicago has edited four columns of missionary reading in the church paper, "Sandebundet."

We find our work in this department has classified itself in the following manner:

The literature published at Boston, that issued by the individual Branches, that by our German constituency, by our Swedish constituency, and that issued upon the Foreign Field.

The leaflets bearing upon the Lesson Topics, as issued at Boston have been, "The Annual Leaflet Report," prepared by Mrs. J. T.

Gracey, "A Glance at Mohammedanism," compiled by Miss E. C. Northup, "Glimpses of Loftcha Girls' School" by Miss Dora Davis. Some stories of "Bible Translation" by Mrs. M. S. Budlong and "Among the Bhotiyas and Their Neighbors," by Miss E. C. M. Browne. An Open Letter of four pages and a leaflet entitled "Help in Young People's Missionary Work," have been sent out for the most part free. These were prepared by our able Secretary of Young Woman's Work, Miss Mary L. Ninde.

The Children's Work has been aided by "Mother Goose and Her Family as Mission Workers," and the completion of the "Pioneer Series," by Mrs. O. W. Scott. "Gilt Edge Bits of China," compiled by Mrs. Scott, from the "Children's Missionary Friend," and "Little Lend a Hand," by Bettie Duval Baker.

The King's Herald blanks, constitution, membership cards, program, letters, envelopes, section of brick wall, rituals and music, were prepared by the Superintendent of Children's Work. The "King's Herald Manual" was prepared by Miss Frances J. Baker.

The Little Light Bearers' Window, Cheer and Greeting cards, were prepared by the Superintendent of Children's Work.

Again we send you a Calendar which we believe will prove of help in daily prayer. A beautiful new song, "Who will tell the eleven," adds grace to our collection of gems.

Once more have our faithful Branch Secretaries of Literature made a thorough canvass for subscribers to our "Friend," and with the hearty co-operation of our editor in giving us articles upon our Lesson Topics, with one accord we intend to make our "Friend" as indispensable to the industrial member of the auxiliary, as is The Chautauquan to the Chautauqua student.

After several years of well laid plans, we are delighted that we are able to give you a short, practical, up-to-date Reading Course for the children. (See October "Friend.")

As to the publications in the various Branches literally, millions of pages have been sent free to our readers as well as many excellent paid leaflets and Quarterlies. The best and most important book was issued by the Des Moines Branch. It is entitled "The Missionaries of the Des Moines Branch" by Mrs. Mary L. Huston and Kate E. Moss, a book of 125 pages. For further information upon Branch work, see December "Friend" and tabulated report.

Special thanks are due the loyal women who have so nobly given of the power of their pen to this literature department, and enabled us to report an expenditure of only $25 for manuscript work, and less than $100 for the past three years.

In this report we can give you but a glance at the year's work, but our hopes are bright for the future, and as we lay aside for a time at least the active recognition of joyous service, we add these beautiful words, "The Lord watch between me and thee, while we are absent one from the other."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. R. H. POOLEY, *Chairman*.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF LITERATURE.

By Cash paid for Leaflets	$1,444.90	
" " " " Calendars	680.19	
" " " " Leaflet Report	114.26	
" " " " Books	935.17	
" " " " K. H. Supplies	909.48	
" " " " L. L. Bearers	82.39	
" " " " Certificate	4.50	
" " " " Express and Postage	468.79	
" " " " Traveling and Postage Expense of Committee	173.93	
" " " " Office Help	468.42	
		$5,282.03
To Cash Received for all Literature		3,982.16
Cash Deficit		$1,299.87
Literature on Hand	$1,220.25	
Bills Due	305.50	
		$1,525.75
Cash Deficit		1,299.87
		$225.88

ELIZABETH C. NORTHUP, *Treasurer*.

FIRST TABULATED REPORT OF BRANCH WORK IN LITERATURE DEPARTMENT, OCTOBER 1, 1903.

	New England	New York	Phila-delphia	Baltimore	Cincinnati	North-western	Des Moines	Minne-apolis	Topeka	Pacific	Columbia River
Sale of Literature at Annual Conferences			$25								
Sale of Literature at District Associations		$806	$55		$50	$506	$364	$70	$69	$14	$7
Sale of Literature at Branch Meeting of 1903	$126	$142	$146	$78	$215	$268	$232	$69	$110	$56	$40
Total Sales of Literature at Depots of Supplies	$1,168	$610	$105	$284	$1,220	$1,837	$1,002	$508	$354	$168	$59
Total Receipts from all sources of supplies	$1 836	$917	$1,269	$284	$1,220	$3,477	$1,632	$624	$354	$409	$812
Number of gatherings at which Literature has been on sale	16	37	4	18	32	67	38	14	16	11	7
Total Receipts from the same	$126	$456	$226	$70	$285	$782	$629	$315	$197	$70	$47
Number of copies of Lux Christi sold	667	540	578	250	1,000	2,100	1,265	456	855	267	175
" " Calendars "	175	500	489	240	189	996	266	250	161	50	125
" " Branch Annuals Printed	2,050	1,948	2,100	2,000	8,400	4,000	1,500	1,000	1,500	500	850
Number of pages in each	100	128	118	100	104	186	116	80	48	50	42
Cost of the same	$219	$526	$280	$176	$308	$581	$85	$115	$95	$101	$60
Number of different leaflets printed			4	9		10	5	2			
" " books "	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1
Number leaflets sent out free	17,877	75 000		28,000		282,800					
" of pages of literature sent free.		200,000	13,000	284,550		1,129,200	2,000	5,400			
Number of Printed Programs	50	111		9	64	190	81	14	46	6	9
" having completed the Reading course for 1903	25	84	45	14	14	25	10	11	9	8	
Number of mite boxes sent out	4,270	5,000	1,127	2,080	12,957	17,748	1,404	2,000	2,423	611	1,000
Cost " " " per thousand		$28	$49 50	$45	$11	$10		$17 85			5
Number of cities having Missionary Volumes in their libraries	26	7		2	19	105	1	7	14	1	4
Sales at General Executive, 1903				$190							

LESSON TOPICS FOR 1904

The lessons for February, March, April, October, November and December are on China, in accord with the United Study of Missions. The Text Book is REX CHRISTUS, by Rev. Arthur H. Smith, D D., Macmillan Company, New York.

January. By this + Sign we Conquer. The World for Christ. Tokens of Victory during 1903. Latest News from our Missions. The Claims of Today. Opportunities and Obstacles.

February. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in North China. Chapter I. A Self-Centered Empire.

March. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in Central China. Chapter II. The Religions of China. Sub-Topic—Thank Offering.

April. Methodist Episcopal Missionary Endeavors in China. Chapter III. The People of China. Sub-Topic—Easter Joy.

May. Medical Work the Golden Key. Our Hospitals, First Women Physicians of The Orient. Sub-Topic—South America.

June. The Higher Education in Evangelization. Woman's Foreign Missionary Kindergartens, High Schools and Colleges, Mission Ships. Sub-Topic—Standard Bearers at Home and Abroad.

July. Our Periodicals. The Native Press. How and Why I became interested in Foreign Missions Leaflet. The Zenana or Woman's Friend of two decades, 1884—1904.

August. Industrial Training in Missionary Work. Industries of Oriental Women. Sub-Topic—Burma.

September. Strategic Points in Missionary Conquest. The Power of Prayer in Missions. Notable Answers to Prayer. Sub-Topic—Straits Settlements.

October. Up-to-Date China. Chapter IV. Christian Missions.

November. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in South China. Chapter V. Christian Missions, Woman's Work.

December. Personations of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society Missionaries in China. Chapter VI. The Open Door of Opportunity. Sub-Topic—Christmas Cheer.

Report of Home Work

NEW ENGLAND BRANCH

Includes the New England States.

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Recording Secretary,	MRS. CHARLES E. MANN, Malden, Mass.
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Sec. of Young Woman's Work.	MRS. C. S. NUTTER. St. Albans, Vt.

When, one year ago, we were induced to take the position the duties of which had been so long and faithfully performed by another, we were comforted in the thought that our dear Mrs. Alderman was still in our midst, and would aid us with her counsel and prayers. In this we have not been disappointed, and as we have left her after an interview, we have earnestly prayed that the same sweet spirit of devotion, the same unwavering faith in God, might characterize our prosecution of these duties. Although feeble in body, her interest is unabated in all that pertains to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, to which she has devoted so many years of service.

At our last General Executive Committee Meeting we were forced to exceed the amount voted by our branch for appropriations for the foreign field. Our receipts during the year have not reached this amount. Much prayer has ascended to the throne of God, great efforts on the part of the secretaries have been put forth, but we have failed to reach our aim.

Although the financial results are not so large as we could desire, we believe that great advance has been made in unifying our interests, and in spreading broadcast information of our methods of work, and of the objects to which our funds are devoted. We quote from the report of our Home Secretary: "The general lack of

growth in New England Protestant churches because of the influx of foreigners of another faith and the departure of many of our most active young people has affected our Society, yet we must rejoice to know that those trained in New England are going to help the other branches where they are eagerly welcomed."

The branch meetings have been occasions of unusual interest, and have been quite largely attended. The programs have included some unique features, and a lively interest has been manifested in the various topics discussed.

At our Anniversary meeting, there was a larger representation than usual of conference and district officers, who were alert and eager to study the best and wisest methods for the awakening of and preserving interest in foreign missions. A spirit of unity, of prayer and of deep consecration characterized all the sessions and services, and the influence of the "Quiet Hours" will remain with us throughout the year. Mrs. Butler's emphatic exclamation, "Hosanna, for the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth!" made us feel that never again could we be discouraged in this work that belongs to the Lord.

We were favored with addresses by Mrs. Moore, Miss Nichols, Mrs. Wilkinson, Miss Sites and Mrs. Brown. A Round Table was admirably conducted by Miss Northup, when many topics of interest relative to the extension and advancement of our work were discussed in a spirited manner. Much to our consternation and grief, five of our long-time faithful and efficient branch officers felt compelled to lay down their duties. These places have been filled by others who courageously take up these duties with a deep sense of the great responsibility resting upon them. We trust that rich and abundant blessings may come to them as they endeavor to do the Master's bidding.

There have been several itineracies through the branch which have been productive of good results. Having no missionary of our own at home during most of the year, it has been very difficult to secure help from this source. Missionary speakers are urgently asked for, but as these workers are at home for rest and recuperation, it seems cruel to draw upon their time and strength for such service.

We are strongly of the opinion that many of our home workers could do effective service along this line if they would study thoroughly our organization, read comprehensively our literature, keep closely in touch with the foreign field by looking watchfully for the information now to be obtained almost everywhere, thus becoming saturated, as it were, with missionary knowledge, and filled with a

true missionary zeal, so that they could speak with such enthusiasm that their hearers might be led to ask, "When did you return from the foreign field?" With such speakers in the field, surely we might secure many members from those yet unawakened to the great needs of heathendom.

To our Headquarters many callers and visitors have come during the year, and none have gone away without an effort being made to interest them in our society and its ever present needs. The sales of literature and supplies have been larger than in any former year, which shows the desire of many to gain information. The study of Lux Christi has been carried on with vigor in many auxiliaries, and India will cease to be an unknown country to some of our members.

The Thank Offering was carefully planned, and was devoted to our teachers and assistants.

Good Friday was observed as a Day of Prayer, a leaflet being prepared and sent throughout the branch.

The Standard Bearers' Work in one conference has been very prosperous, but in others there has been no great gain, owing perhaps to a less careful organization and supervision by the auxiliaries.

The new supplies for the King's Heralds have met with high praise, and the workers are encouraged by such helps to their hands.

There has been a gain in the Little Light Bearers' membership, which shows that this peculiarly interesting field is being cultivated.

Our German and Swedish sisters have brought in good reports, the latter having contributed a good sum towards the building in Pakur, India.

With our branch are affiliated one auxiliary in Peking, China, reporting thirty members and ten auxiliaries in Mexico with two hundred members.

There have been several changes in our corps of twenty-one missionaries. Last April, Miss Stearne, of the Isabella Thoburn College, was married to Prof. Badley, and remains in Lucknow.

In May, Miss Croucher returned from Tientsin, China, to this country and later was married to Dr. G. H. Packard of Medford, Mass. In the same month, Miss Miller of Pyeng Yang, Korea, returned to this country on account of ill health.

Miss Nichols of the Isabella Thoburn College, Lucknow, is at home on furlough, and Mrs. Scranton still remains in this country unable to resume her loved work in Korea.

Miss Kneeland, of Montevideo has suffered from the damp climate of that city, and will doubtless be obliged to relinquish her work at the close of the school year if not sooner.

Miss Hemingway's furlough is nearly due, and Misses Collier and Hartford should have a rest ere they break entirely.

In the spring, Miss Glover overworked, and for a time, was quite ill, but the last reports show some gain. Truly there is need of fresh recruits, well equipped in body, mind and spiritual life.

As we enter upon a new year of work for the Master, this blessed promise shall sustain and encourage us. "For I the Lord thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not, I will help thee."

MARY E. HOLT, *Corresponding Secretary*.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance, October 1, 1902	$6,714.52
Receipts from October 1, 1902, to October 1, 1903	33,933.03
Loan	7,300.00
	$47,947.55
Disbursements	38,881.89
Balance, October 1, 1903	$9,065.66

JULIETTE SMITH, *Treasurer*.

NEW YORK BRANCH

Includes New York and New Jersey.

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Treasurer,	MRS. J. M. CORNELL, 29 E. 37th St , New York.

He crowneth the year with His goodness. In everything successfully done, we acknowledge the directing, strengthening hand of God. We wonder at the things accomplished by many of our secretaries and leaders in different departments of the work, under disabilities of ill health, household cares, and other necessary affairs, and we are glad to remember that nothing has been unnoticed by

Him, nor unrewarded in the inward life of the doer of the deed or giver of the gift involving sacrifice. The special work supported by the New York Branch is faithfully sustained, including the salaries entire or partial of ten missionaries in the foreign field. The sales of literature at branch headquarters and at district and annual meetings have very largely increased, and interest in mission study advances. Young Women's societies, Standard Bearers, King's Heralds and Little Light Bearers are growing like willows by the water courses. The thought, time, effort and prayer given by those who were appointed to the responsibility of this department have brought rich results. It has proved a truly spiritual awakening. Several young women have, through this direct agency, heard the personal call to foreign missionary service, and many others have found the joy of using well their idle or misdirected talents.

Branch headquarters is a place of busy interest, with missionaries from almost every branch coming and going; visitors making inquiries and looking over the literature and ministers wishing information about our work.

The sale of excellent tea imported by our headquarters committee from India has proved a financial success, the profits being applied to the headquarters' expenses.

Conference anniversaries and district meetings have been well attended and excellent programs have been given. The day of prayer, preceding our branch annual meeting, was especially marked as a time of spiritual strengthening. The branch annual meeting held in Elmira, N. Y., had many tokens of the Divine favor. The small deficit with which our fiscal year closed was there made up by a liberal gift from Troy Conference and the pledges of other conferences and individuals.

Two thousand dollars was given to build a home for missionaries in Wuhu, and two friends together pledged the salary of a missionary for that place.

Letters from the foreign field have impressed us with these significant facts. 1st, The enlargement of the work in every direction; 2d, the impossibility of meeting the opportunity with our present force of workers; 3d, the breaking down in body and consequent discouragement in spirit, of over-burdened missionaries; 4th, the call in the hearts of our missionaries to evangelistic work and the openings for it; 5th, increasing thoroughness in the training schools for native workers; 6th, the development of character in our schools through self-support.

MRS. H. B. SKIDMORE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts from Conferences	$66,987.00
Receipts from Bequests and on Annuity Plan	7,583.00
Total Receipts for Year	$74,570.00
Balance, October 1, 1902	1,359.00
	$75,929.00
Disbursements	$73,866.55
Return of Loan	4,000.00
Total Disbursements	$77,866.55

MRS. J. M. CORNELL, *Treasurer.*

PHILADELPHIA BRANCH

Includes Pennsylvania and Delaware.

OFFICERS

President,	MRS. W. H. PEARCE, 1938 N. Park Ave., Philadelphia.
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Recording Secretary,	MRS. E M. L. WAKELIN, 200 Bullitt Building, Philadelphia.
Treasurer,	MRS. T. H. WILSON, Lawnhurst, Fox Chase, Philadelphia.

The Philadelphia Branch comes in from the harvest field with the richest sheaves that have ever fallen to her lot. Prayer, diligence and holy enthusiasm have gleaned in the corners, and surely the Lord of the Harvest commanded His servants to let fall some of the handfuls on purpose for her that she might glean them. That this branch should be able to report $55,807 poured into His treasury the past year, fills us with joyful and humble thanksgiving, for it is not our might that has brought this increase of over $12,300, but the Lord has been our confidence. Of this amount $7,583 has come to us by bequests, the servants dropping the handfuls at command.

The Thank-offering, though technically not reaching the amount of three years ago, has exceeded it, when to the present year is added the special donations for the same object. We have reached a point from which we hope again never to recede, for regular gifts, exclusive of bequests, thank-offerings and special contributions for one year only, have covered the amount of regular appropriations. Pitts-

burg Conference, still in the lead in generosity and zeal, augmented by the loving ties that bind all its officers together, is a continual demonstration of God's blessing upon those who pray and work. In some conferences changes have hindered the satisfactory development of plans that seemed well laid. In all parts of the territory there has been increase, and "many daughters have done virtuously."

The Standard Bearer movement is gaining ground rapidly, King's Heralds are banding together, and many Little Light Bearers are holding up their candles. Another cause for thanksgiving is that young women are coming in to supply vacancies; they are heeding the apostle's injunction—"I speak unto you young (wo) men because ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you." They are finding the secret of strength to overcome the wicked one in the abiding of the word of God.

The darkest hour of our history was reached when our dearly loved president made known her unalterable decision not to accept renomination for the ensuing year. We were bereft, and found it difficult to adjust ourselves to the new situation. You who have witnessed from year to year her masterly presiding hand will sympathize in our loss and join us in prayer for God's blessing on her own future and also upon her successor. We enroll a new name at our head this year, but surely God has answered our earnest prayers, and "though the lot is cast into the lap, the disposing thereof is of the Lord," and we welcome a new worker in our midst.

One of our best beloved and honored vice-presidents has entered the land of the just made perfect. Mrs. Pricilla L. Bennett, of Wilkesbarre, one of the noblest women in our Church, and always an active sympathizer and generous contributor to the W. F. M. S., left us in her 85th year. There are but few such women in a generation, and their loss seems to us irreparable.

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Balance, October 1, 1902	11,464.38
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Disbursements	49,588.52
Balance, October 1, 1903	$18,932.91

MRS. THOMAS H. WILSON, *Treasurer.*

BALTIMORE BRANCH

Includes Maryland, District of Columbia, Eastern Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia and Florida.

OFFICERS

President, MRS. A. H. EATON, Appledore, Catonsville, Md.
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Though we had carefully noted through the year "the signs of the times," the reports presented at the quarterly meetings, we were hardly prepared for so good a showing as was given in our recent annual meeting in Metropolitan Church, Washington. With one exception, each district has made advance on every line: more auxiliaries, more members, more Standard Bearers, more King's Heralds, more Little Light Bearers, more mite-boxes distributed, longer lists to our periodicals, larger receipts to both the contingent and general treasury. This was especially gratifying, as there had been forecastings of failure to meet appropriations, and now and then a reminder that we had exceeded instructions.

We rejoice greatly over another receipt not found among the appropriations for 1903, but having a large place among those for 1904. We refer to the transfer from Burlington, Iowa, to Washington, D. C., of our beloved sister, Mrs. M. S. Huston. She is ours. We appropriate to her the wealth of loving hearts and any place in the ranks of branch leaders that she will accept. But in rejoicing, we do not lose sight of the cost that this removal has brought to herself and to the branch that she has served so efficiently and so long, and sympathy tempers our joy.

We have had sore bereavements. December 9, 1902, a cloud received out of our sight Mary Cecelia Goucher; the almost perfect woman, the ideal wife, mother, friend, christian. So high was her aim, so pure was her purpose, that "whatsoever she did in word or deed," she did all to the glory of God. In Ironton, Ohio, August 3, 1903, Maria Louise Tudor, another woman greatly beloved, fell on sleep. Occupying as she did, responsible official position in the

branch from its earliest history, her influence pervaded it, and her works follow her. Other names that are like ointment poured forth, come before us: co-workers equally beloved, and to the measure of opportunity and ability equally effective. "Lost to sight, but to memory dear."

We have not enriched the foreign field by sending to it a new missionary, neither are we able to present at this time the testimonials of any candidate. May the Holy Spirit speak with irresistible power in this meeting to the hearts and consciences of our young women, and as they look upon the white fields and the few laborers, may they listen to the Macedonian cry and the love of Christ's constraining reply—Here am I, send me.

We are happy to have with us, two of our branch missionaries from Japan, Miss Elizabeth R. Bender and Miss Amy G. Lewis. We have had very little outside help this year. Mrs. Geo. K. Gilder, at the Easter anniversary, Mrs. Brenton H. Badley, at our Conference anniversary, and Mrs. J. E. Scott, at Mountain Lake Park.

I can feebly express the gratitude I feel to the missionaries, who, at great expenditure of time and strength, have done so much to maintain interest in special work, by the letters they have sent to patrons.

We crave for our constituency a willingness to contribute direct to the general fund, that the money may be used where most needed; on salaries of other than missionaries, for walls, wells, repairs and for items that no one in our branch ever assumes. As we now have a full equipment, we will strive to be fully equipped, and relying upon Him "Whose promise faileth never," step cheerfully into the work of another year.

MRS. E. B. STEVENS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on Hand, October 1, 1902	$4,368.14
Receipts to October 1, 1903, including Legacy of $219	20,643.36
Disbursements	17,666.55
Balance, October 1, 1903	$2,976.55

MRS. J. S. RAWLINGS, *Treasurer.*

burg Conference, still in the lead in generosity and zeal, augmented by the loving ties that bind all its officers together, is a continual demonstration of God's blessing upon those who pray and work. In some conferences changes have hindered the satisfactory development of plans that seemed well laid. In all parts of the territory there has been increase, and "many daughters have done virtuously."

The Standard Bearer movement is gaining ground rapidly, King's Heralds are banding together, and many Little Light Bearers are holding up their candles. Another cause for thanksgiving is that young women are coming in to supply vacancies; they are heeding the apostle's injunction—"I speak unto you young (wo) men because ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you." They are finding the secret of strength to overcome the wicked one in the abiding of the word of God.

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CONTINGENT FUND TREASURER'S REPORT.

On Hand, October 1, 1902	$123.75
Receipts to October 1, 1903	1,185.83
	$1,209.58
Total Disbursements	836.38
Balance, October 1, 1903	$373.20

MRS. W. M. WINKS, *Treasurer Contingent Fund.*

CINCINNATI BRANCH

Includes Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama and Mississippi, with Headquarters at Cincinnati.

OFFICERS

President,	MRS. WM. B. DAVIS, Clifton, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Recording Secretary,	MRS. C. W. BARNES, Springfield, Ohio.
Corresponding Secretary,	MRS. B. R. COWEN, 2406 Highland Avenue, Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, Ohio.
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There never has been a time in our branch history that the summing up of the year's work was done with such an overwhelming sense of God's presence and blessing. There seems to be a new spirit of zeal and willing-heartedness animating the whole force of workers, an increase in membership and organization, a great development of the work among the young people and children, and while we have known heretofore that God was with us according to His promise, it never was so apparent as in the year just closed, nor is it hard to find from whence the growing interest has come. Following almost immediately after our annual meeting, came the memorable Cleveland Missionary Convention, which will be historic in church history, marking as it does a new departure in missionary effort. That part of the country covered by the Cincinnati Branch, was well represented in that wonderful gathering, where, when they talked and prayed and waited, the "fire fell," and many gave themselves to God for better service, and later, before

large audiences in cities or districts, the subject of missions was brought before the people with intense zeal and enthusiasm. One notable meeting, held at Upper Sandusky, had all the characteristics of the Cleveland session. So it is not strange that early in our branch year, it became evident that there was a "going in the tops of the mulberry trees," betokening an advance movement. New life and vigor were manifested in pressing the work of our society. Though our debts remained, and had been with us through several weary years, we are thankful now that our pledges were not lowered, because of them, even though that was a sore temptation. The annual meeting was like a jubilee. The treasurer's reports told the story with an emphasis and an eloquence, which will be appreciated all over the branch. In every conference there was an increase over last year's report. Every pledge was met, our debts were paid, and like Longfellow's blacksmith, "We look the whole world in the face, for we owe not any man." There is an increase in membership, and a glow of enthusiasm that has changed an irksome task to a joy and a privilege; while past pledges have been redeemed, and larger ones taken for the coming year. Besides the money pledged, money has been sent to meet urgent cases for repairs or additions to buildings. This has been a wonderful year for missionary candidates, as well as for gifts of money to send them. Early in the year, Miss Alexander was sent to North Japan, to Sappora, where she is "holding the fort" almost alone today. In the summer came an urgent appeal from Poona, India, seconded by Bishops and conference representatives, for the immediate sending out of Mrs. S. M. Eddy, to superintend the High School. This resulted in her acceptance and immediate departure for that field. Her support was given to the Standard Bearers in this conference. Soon every dollar was pledged, and it was found that the salary of one missionary was not enough to go round in that conference. And, judging from the way the young people are moving forward, the support of one missionary will have to be given to a district instead of a conference.

Miss Hardie has been welcomed back from Lucknow, and Miss Young from Nagasaki, both very welcome for their own sake and their work's sake. Five missionaries on "home leave," have been sent back during the year, Dr. Emma Scott, Misses Hoge, Lebeus, Shockley and Bing. Five new missionaries have been sent out, and but one provided for by our appropriations; Miss Alexander to Sappora; Miss Thomas, to Nagasaki; Miss Cartwright, to Lucknow; Miss Swormstedt, to Inhambane, Africa; Mrs. Eddy, to

Poona. So God honors the faith that trusts in His promises. All this was made possible by our increasing receipts. God has been very good to us, and we think now, that we never will distrust Him again. Efforts have been made to increase the subscription lists to our different periodicals, and with hopeful returns. Our "Room" at Branch Headquarters, under Miss Alice Startsman, has been a busy workshop, furnishing help to every anxious applicant, and proving an indispensable part of our branch economy.

Prayer is becoming more and more a factor in this work, and when a host of believing christians, who are also working christians, unite in the petition to let the "Kingdom Come," and follow the prayer with obedience, they will "move the hand that moves the world, and bring salvation down."

MRS. B. R. COWEN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURERS' REPORT.

Receipts from October 1, 1902—October 1, 1903	$70,207.95
Disbursements	67,532.61
	$2,675.34

MRS. C. C. BOYD
MRS. J. C. KUNZ,
Treasurers.

NORTHWESTERN BRANCH

Includes Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin.

OFFICERS

President Emeritus,	MRS. ISAAC R. HITT, Washington, D. C.
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Cor. Secretary,	MRS. F. P. CRANDON, 1414 Forest Ave., Evanston, Ill.
Sec'y of Home Department,	MRS. ABEL BLISS, 4052 Perry Ave., Chicago, Ill.
Treasurer,	MRS. B. D. YORK, 231 Hancock Ave., Detroit, Mich.
Assistant Treasurer,	MRS. J. DUNN, 36 Woodward Ave. Terrace, Detroit, Mich.

In the administration of the affairs of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, the General Executive Committee requires annually what is known as a "Home Report" from each of the several branches into which the organization is divided. The purpose and significance of this report, may in part be easily understood and

appreciated. In so far as it deals with facts concerning the increase or decrease in number of auxiliaries, or the membership of the society, or with the details concerning the publication and distribution of the society's literature, or of the year's financial history, or the outlook for the year to come, there is but slight liability that the report will not proceed along lines that are fairly well defined, or that this data will be fairly accurate and comprehensive.

The presentation of this information is not only important but essential. Without it our future plans could not be intelligently formulated or prosecuted. The facts referred to constitute the frame-work of our enterprise, and as frame-work the knowledge of them is indispensable.

But to be of real value, the report should also deal with interests which are of vastly greater significance than those details to which reference has been made. It ought to be—possibly, one would be justified in saying it must be—in some sort a response to the question which comes from all parts of the work, "Watchman, what of the night?" It is a reply to the inquiry often asked and always suggested—"Is there among our home people an increased interest in the glorious missionary enterprise?" Do the needs of the unsaved women in heathen lands appeal to the constituency of our society with greater and still greater effect, and have we been aroused to greater efforts in their behalf? Are there more workers, who, when the demand for help in foreign fields is presented, are saying to themselves and to us—"Here am I, send me." Is there throughout our borders, a greater zeal for souls, a greater interest in our own part of this missionary work, greater faith in the Divine approval and aid of our plans, and is there more fervent and believing prayer offered for the success of the cause?

On the answers to these inquiries rest the hopes for the future success of our enterprise. Without that inspiration which can only be induced by conditions that warrant an affirmative answer to the above suggested questions, no enduring prosperity will be practicable. The vitalizing influence and power which come from an earnest longing to bring the lost to repentance and salvation, is as indispensable to the maintenance of the missionary spirit, as is air to the support of physical life. Where this influence is felt, every self-sacrifice, every sort of service, every form of energetic effort may be expected, and the anticipation will not be disappointed.

The Northwestern Branch can confidently trust to the record of the year's achievements for its own response to the queries which have been proposed.

Our statistical reports show the loss during the year of thirteen senior organizations, which we greatly regret, but the new auxiliaries formed, and the increased number of organizations among the Young Women and the Standard Bearers, has much more than made good the falling off in the older societies.

Our conference and district workers have never given more diligent and effective service. Their constant aim has been to promote the interests of the society wherever an opportunity offered, and they have been cheered and encouraged by the increased support that has been shown in so many places.

A "week of prayer" was substituted this year for our previous "self-denial week," and no appeal was made for special offerings. Nevertheless, not a few of our devoted women, always ready and eager to demonstrate their love for that Saviour who is "woman's best friend," made free will offerings to the amount of $2,000. Our Thank-offering amounted to $23,452, and was distributed to many different missionary interests. There has also come into our treasury, $6,895 from our Mite-boxes, $9,308 from bequests, and $4,500 from annuities.

A list of all the stations, and of all the different interests which received some portion of this Thank-offering fund, might create some surprise, even among our own branch members. A part of it paid for needed land, another portion paid for buildings which were even more needed than the land. Some of the fund helped to cancel indebtedness that had annoyed and embarrassed us at home and in the field, and all of the money has been so applied that it has aided in making the situation of our missionaries more tolerable, and has lightened many hearts and homes.

The urgent need and the importunate appeals which are constantly being received for more missionaries, coupled with the fact that nine young women have been accepted for missionary service and are now waiting for their commissions, prompted the Branch Executive Committee to authorize the publication of an appeal for special gifts to enable the society to send these recruits to the stations where their help is so greatly needed, and to furnish them the requisite support. Several hundred dollars was secured through the efforts of members of the Board of Managers, and at the annual branch meeting, seven thousand dollars more were pledged for this purpose. Confiding in the loyal support of the branch membership, three of the nine have already been sent to the front, and this General Executive Committee will be asked to pass upon the credentials of the six who are still with us.

The missionaries of our branch now at home on furlough, are, Miss Benthein, from Bombay, and Miss Newton, of North India; Miss Merrill and Mrs. Davis, from Central China; Miss Melton, from South Japan; Miss Blackburn, from Bulgaria; and Miss Vickery, from Rome.

Immediately after the last session of this committee, Miss Wright returned to India, and was assigned to the school at Budaon, and soon after, Miss Mary Wilson was appointed to the same station. Miss Greene went to Phalera, in Northwest India, and Miss Fisher to Kolar, South India. Dr. Gloss has returned to Peking, and Miss Longstreet to Ming Chiang, China.

The additional missionaries whom we have sent out, are, Miss Alice Northrup, to the Isabella Thoburn College, at Lucknow; Miss Dorothy Jones, to Chung King; and Miss Maud Wheeler, to Peking, China. Miss Wheeler is the daughter of Dr. L. N. Wheeler, one of our earliest missionaries in North China. He subsequently inaugurated the work in West China, and his body now sleeps in the cemetery in Shanghai. Our Miss Wheeler is the third daughter who has given herself to the work of bringing China into the number of christian nations. We count it a rare privilege to have been enabled to send nine consecrated women to our mission fields in foreign lands in a single year.

As we come together from year to year, we miss one and another of those who through many years have been our co-workers in this society, associates who have endeared themselves to us by a loving companionship and an unselfish devotion to the cause which all of us serve. Fidelity characterized their service, and a self-sacrificing loyalty to duty always governed their lives. They wrought willingly, ably, royally, and the Master honored their labors and their devotion. Then He opened the pearly gates and called them home. "They rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

It was while this body was in session, one year ago, that a message was received announcing the death of Mrs. David Preston, of Detroit. Her association with the society dates back to its earliest days. One of the first auxiliaries in the Northwestern Branch was organized in her parlors, and her name appears on the first list of life members in the Society. For two years she discharged the duties of branch treasurer, and her fidelity, efficiency and accuracy, left us nothing to be desired in the administration of that office. Loyalty and thoroughness were among her prominent qualities, and we loved her both for what she was and what she did.

When the Northwestern Branch began its work of organization, there was imperative need for some one to meet the women in the various churches, and to explain to them our work and methods. Miss S. A. Rulison, of Flint, Michigan, accepted this service. She resigned a congenial position as teacher, and for many years gave herself to the effort of interesting Methodist women in the cause of missions and gathering them into auxiliary organizations. At a later date she undertook the preparation and publication of the Missionary Lesson Leaf—a most valuable and almost indispensable aid in carrying out the scheme of uniform mission studies. Earnest, faithful and true, never faltering in her service till the Master called her home, she has left us a legacy of good deeds and successful work which is an inspiration to all her associates.

A little later, and just at the opening of the New Year, our well beloved Mrs. Bishop Ninde, joined the great host who have passed up into the Everlasting Kingdom. She was never officially connected with the Northwestern Branch, but she was not therefore the less interested in its aims and work, or the less helpful to its treasury. Her contributions were numerous and generous, and her home was always open to the weary missionary who was ever welcome to its boundless hospitality, and her words of sympathy and encouragement will be long remembered.

Another beautiful, earnest, generous co-laborer was lost to us and to our society when Mrs. Laura A. Calder, of Evanston, answered to the summons, "Come up higher." She had been both recording secretary and home secretary of the branch, and in each position, her work was beyond criticism. But while as an officer she was both faithful and efficient, still it was by her intense interest in the cause generally, her absolute devotion to all of its interests, and her generous gifts to its treasury, that she was most widely known and most fondly loved. The Mabel Colvin Home and Dispensary, at Brindaban, are among the tangible tokens of her generosity, and constitute an enduring monument to her memory, and nearly all of her estate was bequeathed to the society.

There is still another whose presence we miss and whose loss has brought to us an inexpressible sorrow. On the fourteenth of June, and in the hush of the early Sabbath morning, the spirit of our loved and beautiful Letitia Mason Quine, left its earthly home for its heavenly inheritance. Her life had been a long devotion to the missionary cause and missionary service. It is now more than thirty years since as a lovely maiden, she consecrated her life and skill to the ministry of healing, among the women of China. As a

medical missionary she labored and sacrificed, until prostrated by pain and sickness, she was compelled to leave the land to which her coming had been a benediction. Returning to her native land, her health was restored, and here she sought to enlist others in the work to which she had given so much, and for which she was still anxious to toil. For five years her name stood at the head of our roll of branch officers, and for four years, and until weakness and suffering laid her aside from active duty, she gave herself with conscientious care to the work. Her delightful personality, her persuasive voice, her large executive powers, rendered her a leader that all rejoiced to follow. The purity of her life, her serene faith, her deep spirituality, combined with her dignity, graciousness and gentleness, made her a priceless friend. To the last, her love and prayers went up for those who were striving to build up Christ's Kingdom. We miss her dear sweet face as the days come and go, but in loving memory of what she so truly exemplified of Christ-like unselfishness, we must be glad that the joy of heaven has come to her, "and she will live forever in the hearts of those who loved her."

MRS. F. P. CRANDON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance, including Annuity Fund, October 1, 1902	$26,546.60
Total Receipts, October 1, 1902, to October 1, 1903	119,883.39
Grand Total	$146,429.99
Disbursements	125,946.67
Balance, including Annuity Fund, October 1, 1903	$20,483.32
Annuity Fund	14,500.00
Balance in General Fund, October 1, 1903	$5,983.32

MRS. BERTRAND YORK, *Treasurer.*

DES MOINES BRANCH

Includes Iowa, Missouri, Arkansas and Louisiana.

OFFICERS

President,	MISS ELIZABETH PEARSON, 1100 High St., Des Moines, Iowa.
Corresponding Secretary,	MRS. WM. B. THOMPSON, Chariton, Iowa.
Recording Secretary,	MRS. B. M. GATCHEL, Des Moines, Iowa.
Treasurer,	MRS. E. P. FRITZ, Dubuque, Iowa.
Secretary Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearer Companies	MISS MARTHA STAHL, Indianola, Iowa.

"Then I told them of the hand of my God which was good upon me: as also the King's words that he had spoken unto me: and they said, 'Let us rise up and build,' so they strengthened their hands for this good work."

Because our sisters throughout Des Moines Branch have had blessings similar to Nehemiah's—the favor of the Lord and the kindly help of the people—this day of report making is a joyous, grateful one.

Our gain in members is 2,488, fully double that of last year. The popularity of the Standard Bearers' movement is indicated in the fact that a large share of our increase is in that department.

Our money figures are inspiring, and we note with gratification that the gains are well distributed, nearly every conference sharing in the advance. Bequests to the sum of $5,583 have been received, and yet more precious gifts are vouchsafed us, in that our young women are heeding the call to the needy fields and offering themselves for service.

Our branch has ventured farther than usual in the matter of publications. Early in the year a valuable pamphlet, entitled "The Missionaries of Des Moines Branch," was prepared by Mrs. Huston and Miss Moss, and has been welcomed by our constituency, and just now from the press is the booklet, "The Story of Hai Tang," by Miss Trimble, for which we expect general favor. Not only the King's Heralds, for whom it is specially prepared, but our auxiliaries as well, will find it what they need on that subject.

Some of our conferences have issued for their Standard Bearers good leaflet sketches of their missionaries.

Within the year, Miss Wilson has come home and returned again to North China, and Misses Hyde and Daniel have come from

India and Japan for their first furlough. Each one of these missionaries found her home shadowed by affliction and bereavement; Miss Daniel reaching the side of her aged father, just in time to see her precious mother laid to rest.

Late in the year, our branch was suddenly visited with a very unexpected loss in the removal from our borders, of our secretary, Mrs. Huston. For many years her wisdom and devotion have been an untold blessing to her co-workers, and to the society. Now that we are to miss her wonted help, we look to the future with new solicitude, entreating that her love and prayers may bless us still, confident that it shall indeed be so.

We keenly feel our need of looking unto the hills whence in all the years our help has come, and we hear His voice saying unto us, "Yea, I will help thee."

MRS. MARY T. THOMPSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance, October 1, 1902	$656.25
Receipts, October 1, 1902, to October 1, 1903	51,082.98
Total	$51,739.23
Disbursements	46,662.91
Balance, October 1, 1903	$5,076.32

MRS. E. P. FRITZ, *Treasurer.*

MINNEAPOLIS BRANCH

Includes Minnesota and the Two Dakotas.

OFFICERS

President,	MRS. W. H. LANDIS, 1505 Clinton Av., Minneapolis, Minn.
Corresponding Secretary,	MRS. I. W. JOYCE, 310 Groveland Av., Minneapolis, Minn.
Recording Secretary,	MRS. C. H. GARDNER, 722 Selby Av., St. Paul, Minn.
Treasurer.	MRS. C. W. HALL, 3206 2d Av. S., Minneapolis, Minn.

We close the 20th year of the Minneapolis Branch with the confident assurance that the "Lord of Hosts is with us."

We are sending a note of victory all along the lines for success obtained, for progress made, and for the outlook for the future.

This is the Lord's own blessed work, we are but the instruments in His hands.

We are especially glad for the willing sacrifice of time and strength given by our faithful officers for their patience and watchful care over the weak societies, and the detail work which is required to keep the machinery running smoothly.

There has been a steady growth and encouraging advancement made in all the departments of our organization. We are expecting greater success in the future.

While we are rejoicing over our prosperity at home, our hearts are tinged with sadness over the loss of two of our dear brave girls in Malaysia, by sickness and over-work.

Miss Cody, of Singapore, was ordered home by her physician in April last, and is now at home in Ohio, slowly gaining in strength.

Miss Ellis, of Penang, was compelled to give up her work in July, and two doctors urged her immediate return to the home land. She will spend some months on the Pacific Coast, hoping to regain her health. These dear girls who are laid aside from active duties for a time need our sympathies and prayers. We trust they may soon be restored to health. Miss Rouse, at Ku Cheng, China, has been seriously ill for many weary weeks, and may have to come home to rest and get well. She writes: "It was not the work I did which hurt me, but what I could not do." Miss Blackmore seems equal to all emergencies, and carries the interests of the Deaconesses' school, and even the whole mission most cheerfully and successfully. Miss Martin, of Penang, came home last May for her vacation, having served more than five years in that tropical climate. She expects to return to her much loved work in the early spring.

The C. S. Winchell Home will soon be completed. The full amount necessary to finish the Home free from debt has been sent.

Miss Jakobson, at Pakur, is happy and much encouraged over the prospect of soon getting into their new Home and school buildings. There has been much sickness, a few deaths, and several of the girls have married. New pupils are coming in to fill the vacant places.

Miss Nicolaisen, our German Deaconess, at Sieng Iu, China, is in excellent health and very happy in her work.

Miss Ingram, at Lucknow, carries sunshine and gladness into the Zenana Homes, and is a light in the Deaconess' Home, where the poor, destitute, and heart-broken women come for help and salvation.

Miss Blackstock, of the Harrison industrial School in Tokyo, Japan, is closing the sixth year of her second term in that trying climate.

We are glad that we have been able to send two missionaries to the field within the past two months. Miss M. E. Olson, of Afton, Minnesota, sailed from San Francisco in August, for Penang, to take the work laid down by Miss Ellis.

Miss Mabel Lee, of Grand Forks, North Dakota, sailed for Tokyo, Japan, in September, to take charge of the Harrison Industrial School.

Is it not true that as soon as a missionary is found ready to go, the money comes in with which to send her to the field? As soon as we found the worker for Penang, a generous friend, not a member of our church, offered to pay her outgoing expenses, which we gladly accepted.

The year financially, has been one of great prosperity. With the exception of one small bequest at the beginning of the year, the funds have all come from the regular channels, dues, mite-boxes and thank-offerings.

Our branch meeting was held in Mitchell, South Dakota, and was the largest in attendance, most spiritual in its atmosphere, and most hopeful in permanent results.

The sale of literature was the largest in our history, about seventy dollars worth passed out into circulation among our people.

Our own missionary, Miss Martin, from Penang, greatly cheered us by her recital of the needs, opportunities and success of the work.

Mrs. H. G. Harrison, of Minneapolis, who has just returned from a six months visit in India, charmed us with her addresses.

Miss Anna Stone, of China, was an inspiration to all who listened to her portrayal of China's needs.

Under the influence and by the power of the Holy Spirit, we begin the duties of another year.

Our conference and district secretaries advanced appropriations far beyond any year in our history.

With prayer and thanksgiving we go forth to win victory for Christ.

MRS. I. W. JOYCE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on hand, October 1, 1902	$9,089.25
Receipts from October 1, 1902, to October 1, 1903	17,782.30
Total	$26,871.57
Disbursements	27,528.57
Deficit	$657.00

MRS. C. W. HALL, *Treasurer.*

TOPEKA BRANCH

Includes Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Indian Territory.

OFFICERS

President,	MRS. C. C. ADAMS, 221 W. 10th St., Topeka, Kan.
Corresponding Secretary,	Miss Matilda Watson, 1701 S. 17th St., Lincoln, Neb.
Recording Secretary,	MRS. J. R. MADISON, Olathe, Kansas.
Treasurer,	MRS. A. M. DAVIS, 1701 K St., Lincoln, Neb.

The twentieth year of Topeka Branch has been the best of all the years. Our numbers are greater, interest deeper and receipts larger than any in our history.

The subscriptions to the periodicals show a slight gain, but not in proportion to the added membership. We have yet to secure two hundred and thirty-five subscriptions before we can count one in five of the membership who are subscribers to the "Woman's Missionary Friend." The numbers of "King's Heralds" are but five hundred and thirty-five, yet we have a subscription list to the "Children's Friend" of eighteen hundred and ninety seven.

In this way seed is being sown, and the harvest for which we are looking is a large and speedy increase in the number of children enlisted under the motto, "The King's business requireth haste."

The Standard Bearer work is making a satisfactory growth, almost the entire enlistment having been secured during the present year. We are so fortunate as to have a secretary whose husband owns a printing press, and who free of charge, prints all the letters from our Standard Bearer missionaries.

The literature sales have amounted to nearly nine hundred dollars, and two thousand five hundred and seventy mite-boxes have been placed in circulation.

The fact that eight hundred and fifty three copies of "Lux Christi" have been sent out from our headquarters, is evidence that interest in the United Study is not waning.

Self-denial and new membership work is coming to be one of the important features of the year, in that it brings numerical and financial strength as well as spiritual power.

Universal interest was shown in our Thank-offering, due in part to the fact that the money gathered thus is to be used for the erection of a building for the Burmese Girls School, in Rangoon, to bear the name of Mrs. Harriet Shattuck, the first corresponding secretary of the branch, and as long as health permitted, one of the most earnest workers.

We have not been blessed with much help from outside. With the exception of a few week's service given by Dr. Donahue, a few days by Dr. Dease, three conference anniversaries addressed by Rev. J. W. Robinson, and one by Miss Trimble, the work has been done by the faithful home women. How frequently have we sighed for a Field secretary, a branch organizer, a returned missionary, or any consecrated worker to help arouse and organize the women, enlist the young people and gather in the children who are scattered over our territory of mountain and plain, waiting for and needing the blessed missionary service.

The annual meeting was one of interest, and Rev. J. W. Robinson, of India, Miss Varney and Miss Trimble, of China, Miss Imhof, of Japan, and Mrs. Smith of Burma, gave splendid service. Doxologies were constantly in our hearts, and frequently upon our lips for the success which has attended our efforts and the victories won.

Immediately after our meeting, one year ago, Miss Montgomery sailed for India, and at the session of the South India Conference, was appointed to the Baldwin High School for girls in Bangalore. She accepted this work as from the Lord, and has had a happy prosperous year.

Dr. Tuttle reached India in January, and soon began her ministry to the needy in Baroda. A recent letter tells of her serious

illness from fever, caused by the unsanitary conditions under which the missionaries live.

Miss Spaulding landed in Manila in May, and finds the need for workers not overestimated, and the opportunities unlimited.

Dr. Stevenson reached this country for her second furlough early in December, but in response to the urgent needs of the work, remained with the home folks only until July, when she again set sail for North China.

Miss Imhof and Miss Varney, after years of service in their respective fields of Japan and China, are with us today for the first time in General Executive meeting. To them we accord a hearty welcome, not only because of their worth, but for the work's sake.

To our branch has come sorrow, and to the individual members a personal bereavement in the going to Heaven of Mrs. Bishop Ninde, who for seven years so faithfully, loyally and lovingly served us as president. After her removal from our territory, Mrs. Ninde ceased not to care for us, but frequently sent messages of love and assurance of continued interest.

We believe that much of our present success is due to the years of her faithful work, when she spared not herself, but gave of time, money and effort to the furtherance of the cause. She has gone from us, yet not absent but present in the sweet incense of her life, and the beneficent influence of her work.

For the new year our faith is strong and hope buoyant.

The rallying cry is, one in ten of our Methodist women a member of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society; one in five of the membership a subscriber to the "Woman's Missionary Friend;" five thousand young people enlisted as Standard Bearers; two thousand children in the ranks of the King's Heralds, and $30,000 for the treasury of our Lord.

MATILDA WATSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance, October 1, 1902	$7,500.11
Receipts, October 1, 1902, to October 1, 1903	24,000.00
Total	$31,500.11
Disbursements	26,860.97
Balance, October 1, 1903	$4,639.03

MRS. A. M. DAVIS, *Treasurer.*

PACIFIC BRANCH

Includes California, Nevada, Arizona and Hawaii.

OFFICERS

President,	MRS. GEO. B. SMYTH, 2509 Hearst Ave., Berkeley, Cal.
Corresponding Secretary,	MRS. CHARLOTTE O'NEAL, Pasadena, Cal.
Recording Secretary,	MRS. J. R. UMSTED, 3036 Hoover St., Los Angeles, Cal.
Treasurer,	MRS. Z. L. PARMELEE, South Pasadena, Cal.

No year in all the history of our branch has brought us more glad surprises than has this blessed fifteenth one. Beginning it without a penny in our treasury, we have always found the "barrel and the cruse" with an ample supply for our quarterly needs. Our obligation for the Rangoon building which was in the shape of an interest-bearing note, has been cancelled, and we close the year without a debt and without a balance. It is also our pleasure to record a fair increase in membership and a large increase in patronage. A vigorous effort to increase our subscriptions to our periodicals in certain sections of our branch was offset by a falling off in other localities, except in the case of the "Children's Friend," which has had a fine advance, thanks to our faithful superintendent of King's Heralds. A small increase in the number of copies of the "Study" taken is noted. "Lux Christi" has been studied with great pleasure by many of our auxiliaries.

We have had valuable service from many of our missionaries.

Dr. and Mrs. Gilder, Miss McAllister, Miss Adams, of China, Miss Marks and Miss Spaulding, of Manila, have all done royal service for us. No event of special moment has come to the lives of our missionaries on the field. Dr. Taft, of Chin Kiang, Misses Holman and Beck, of Ajmere, Miss Holbrook, of Japan, and Miss Collins, of Africa, have been busily engaged in healing the sick, and caring for the souls and bodies of those whom God has entrusted to their care. The work in Ajmere has been little short of a marvel. The noble women there have transformed the filthy repulsive little starvelings of 1900 into bright healthy happy christian girls, who will soon be ready to reach out a helping hand to other needy ones. Miss Marks returned to this work, September 29.

Our ranks at home have been broken. The sweet saintly woman who pioneered our work in the California Conference, Mrs. Phebe Searle, went to her Heavenly rest early in the year. Mrs. Ellen Adams. who was a charter member of the first auxiliary in Northwestern Branch, and helped to organize the Pacific Branch, slipped away from our earthly vision to receive her crown in January. The light of eter-

nity alone will reveal the far-reaching influence of the work of these godly women.

So we leave the old year filled with sad memories, yet with grateful hearts, and turn our faces to the new year not knowing what is before us, but full of confidence and hope, for we know that God's promised help will never fail us.

MRS. CHARLOTTE O'NEAL, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on hand, October 1, 1902	$1,576.74
Receipts from October 1, 1902, to October 1, 1903	15,726.00
	$17,302.74
Disbursements from October 1, 1902, to October 1, 1903	17,243.35
Balance on hand, October 1, 1903	$59.39

MRS. Z. L. PARMELEE, *Treasurer.*

COLUMBIA RIVER BRANCH

Includes Washington, Idaho, Montana and Oregon.

OFFICERS

President.	MRS. M. C. WIRE, Albany, Ore.
Corresponding Secretary,	MRS. A. N. FISHER, 214 Twelfth St., Portland, Ore.
Recording Secretary,	MRS. W. H. SAYLOR, 871 S. First St., Portland, Ore.
Treasurer,	MRS. M. E. WHITNEY, 704 S. J St., Tacoma, Wash.

The eleventh year of Columbia River Branch will ever stand out alone, characterized by unusual features and overshadowed by a great sorrow. For the first time, we have been called to mourn the earthly loss of a branch officer, our beautiful and greatly beloved president, Mrs. Earl Cranston. Worthy was she by every measurement of the responsible honors that were hers. Well and with gentle humility did she grace such high positions as mistress of an Episcopal residence, branch president in the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and presiding officer for two sessions of the Japan Mission Woman's Conference. Worthy also was she to be named with the martyred host whose lives have been the price of service in mission lands. We count her now our crowned President

Emeritus, in the faith that she "being dead yet speaketh." Steps have been taken to perpetuate her name on the mission field, and the privilege has been granted of making the new building to be erected for the Foochow Conference Seminary, the Laura Cranston Memorial Hall. It is eminently fitting that such testimonial for one whose gentle spirit was so like her Master's, should be placed in China, where the first shock that dissolved her earthly house of this tabernacle was received from pagan hands. This memorial in her name shall bear its part in hastening the time when China's daughters shall become the cultured christian mothers under whose potent influence deeds of riot shall forever cease.

In this annual review we gratefully bear witness to a comforting truth, verified anew, that whenever great sorrows and burdens come to God's children, He remembers their frame and, lest they be tried above measure, grants other gifts as evidence of continued and watchful care. To Him be praise for many tokens of favor.

Added interest in the great missionary cause is shown by an increase in the number of auxiliary societies, in the membership, in the lists of our periodicals, in the sales of literature, and in the receipts of the treasury. There has also been a greater demand for special objects of support, and from more unexpected sources than ever before, and many links have been formed between the workers at home and abroad, which we hope will grow stronger with the opportunity for mutual interchange thus established.

Owing to the difficulty in securing leaders for these departments, the work of Standard Bearers and King's Heralds has not made such advance as we might wish, or as we hope for the future.

One district has been newly organized in the Puget Sound Conference, under the courageous energy of its secretary, though she counts less than a half dozen little scattered societies in her territory. The district meeting at which this organization was perfected, was made especially interesting by the presence and address of Miss Glenk, fresh from China.

Miss Lilly returned to her work in Singapore in April, and at the same time Miss Parkinson arrived from Foochow on a special call for family reasons. That she reached home a few days too late for the farewell greeting of her sister, stands as a reminder of the sad possibilities that confront all our missionaries. In order to give Miss Parkinson the usual length of furlough without taxing the missionaries on the field, the branch has been able to send as a substitute to take charge of the Foochow Seminary, Mrs. E. A.

Stephenson, an experienced teacher from the High School of Seattle, her friend, Mrs. Lippy, bearing all the expense.

Mrs. Emma Ferris Shellabear, one of our first missionaries, who has been sojourning within the branch for the past three years, has been very helpful in its work, as has her husband.

Our ladies of Puget Sound have profited by the visits of a considerable number of missionaries who have sailed from the ports of Tacoma and Seattle.

It was a pleasure to greet for a brief call, our Publisher, Miss Walden, and the secretary of New England Branch, Miss Holt.

Of other guests we may mention only Mrs. Wilkinson, President of Folts Institute, who, stopping over Sunday in Portland, made the address at the Thank-offering service in First Church, which resulted in the largest offering in the history of the society, and was the indirect means of winning a pupil for our Training School in Herkimer.

Our conference anniversaries attracted unusually large audiences, and were more than ordinarily successful. For this we are greatly indebted to Bishop McCabe, to Dr. Leonard, and Dr. Smyth, and to Bro. Shellabear, of Singapore, who made the addresses of these occasions, and who verily did in right royal manner fulfill the injunction to "help those women." Two of our conference secretaries deserve mention for special features inaugurated in connection with these anniversaries. Mrs. Henry Brown, of Columbia River, made so thorough a canvass for the "Woman's Missionary Friend," that her list has reached thirty-five, forwarded by herself. in addition to other pledges for subscribers to be added to home lists. Mrs. C. E. Helman, of Idaho, out of that great extent of sparsely settled territory, has formed a conference auxiliary of those who may not otherwise become connected with the society, and whose membership now numbers fifty. From these scattered seeds look we for more abundant harvests in the future.

How shall I tell of our annual meeting, with its sacred memories clustered about that vacant chair, with its final necessity for selecting a successor to the president promoted? Suffice it to say that human weakness was supplemented with Divine strength, and human lack of knowledge with Divine wisdom, according to the promise that never faileth those who wait on the Lord.

In the last earthly days of our beloved leader, her lips framed this prayer, "Show me the way, dear Father—today—dear Father." So had this become the daily cry for the need of those who sorely

miss her, and so had the same confidence in the Omnipotent Guide for her and for us been established.

The choice fell upon Mrs. M. C. Wire, first corresponding secretary of the branch, whose ability and acquaintance with the work and the field, leave no question as to fitness for the position.

I may not allow this opportunity to pass without reference to a fact that has been true of our workers from first to last, and in which surely is the hiding of power. We cannot cherish too highly the spirit of unselfish service rendered by our faithful women of the branch. All place the good of the cause above personal preference. Those chosen for positions of leadership seek to make sure that the trust is theirs from the Master Himself, while others rally to their support with no diminution of enthusiasm nor trace of envious thought.

Blessings on the royal women of Columbia River Branch, who may lift unshamed faces toward heaven with this petition, "And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us: and establish Thou the work of our hands upon us: yea, the work of our hands, establish Thou it."

MRS. A. W. FISHER, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on hand, October 1, 1902	$1,529.84
Receipts from October 1, 1902, to October 1, 1903	7,421.93
Total	$8,951.77
Disbursements	6,708.79
Balance on hand, October 1, 1903	$2,242.98

MRS. M. E. WHITNEY, *Treasurer.*

GERMAN WORK

Includes 10 Conferences in America, 3 Conferences in Europe.

Secretary, MISS LOUISA C. ROTHWEILER, Newport, Ky.

A review of the past year which was entered upon with a great sense of responsibility and fear, gives occasion for sincere and heart-felt gratitude to God for his help and blessing.

Many fears were never realized, and our small faith was put to shame by having so much more given than we had dared hope for.

The causes for fear that we should fall behind were several, among them the loss of our tried and trusted leader, Mrs. Achard; another, that during the preceding year great efforts had been made to raise the money for the Sieng Iu Home, many gifts for this having come from those who had no connection with our society, while some of our own members had given sums that we could not expect to have repeated, then also, one generous friend had given $4,000.

Now while we are obliged to report a decrease in total receipts of $3,552.31, we do not feel depressed, but rather we rejoice, for excluding the one large gift, we have an advance of $447.69.

The total receipts, $12,035.15 include no large gifts whatever, but represent thousands of small gifts made possible only by the greatest self-denial, and, as one lady said, "each small gift is wrapped in prayer"—prayer that will certainly bring God's blessing.

We can report 18 new auxiliaries. We have 20 Standard Bearer Companies, almost all organized during this year, and 11 King's Herald Bands. The increase in total membership is over 600. There is an increase of 122 in the subscribers for "Children's Missionary Friend," and a few for the "Woman's Missionary Friend." The German paper has increased its circulation but 51. We had hoped for better increase here.

We have welcomed one new conference, the Southern German, to the ranks of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Though no organizations have yet been effected a great deal of preparatory work has been done, and some money has come in. We expect good things from this Conference next year.

The Northwestern leads in the advance, reporting 11 new Standard Bearer Companies, and an increase of $275.00 in receipts. The fact that they have a conference missionary helps greatly.

Chicago Conference last year reported an increase of about 33 per cent, and this year has another increase of 13 per cent.

St. Louis and Western Conferences feel greatly indebted to the Misses Stone and Tany, for the interest that they helped to arouse by visiting various churches, a district meeting and a conference anniversary. We are also favored by having Miss Lebeus devote a good part of her too short vacation to visiting various churches, especially in the Eastern and Central Conference. Great interest is shown where she has been.

Two Conferences, the Northern and Northwestern, each have their own missionary, and we hope to have others follow their example.

We had hoped soon to have another of our own girls in the field, but for the present the Lord has laid his hands upon her. She is trying at present to serve by waiting, hoping still to be allowed to enter active service.

More literature has been sold than last year. We have serious obstacles to overcome here. The subscriptions to the "Friend" are slowly growing. Our people read it, many auxiliaries having more subscribers than members. We do hope for a greater increase in the coming year.

We as Germans, labor under great difficulties in that our work is scattered among so many branches. This is being realized more and more, and the necessity for some change is being recognized. We ask for Divine guidance in this as in all things.

We praise God for His help during the past year, and trust Him for the future.

LOUISA C. ROTHWEILER, *Secretary.*

STATISTICS FOR GERMAN WORK, 1902—1903.

Conferences	Auxiliaries	Members	Standard Bearers	Members	King's Herald Bands	Members	New Life Members	Mite Boxes	Subscribers: Frauen Miss. Freund	Subscribers: Woman's Miss Friend	Subscribers: Children's Miss Friend	Receipts—1902-03	Receipts—1901-02	Increase	Decrease	Received for Contingent Fund
California	9	126					12	30	152			$565 00	$489 53	$75 47		$3 00
Central	25	685	1	22	1	6	6	342	233	19	30	1 716 75	1,565 48	151 30		18 65
Chicago	21	429						126	147	5	15	891 65	797 90	93 75		12 75
Northern	34	775	1	25	6	151		218	530	22	93	1,591 55	1,640 45		$48 90	26 05
North Pacific	4	68						20	57			103 11	101 49	1 62		
Northwestern	35	698	11	221	1	8		101	529	7	91	1,708 55	1,433 37	275 18		26 30
Eastern	21	686	2	46	2	31	2	72	440	13	136	1,315 96	1,338 09		22 13	51 42
St. Louis	19	576	2	43	1	24		30	254	1	12	871 43	807 62	63 81		32 10
Southern									4			37 80		37 80		
Western	44	820	2	27				430	633	9	108	2 012 54	2,107 83		95 29	34 45
Scattering													4 135 00		4,135 00	
Total in U. S.	212	4,813	19	384	11	270	17	1,36	3,680	76	485	10,814 87	14,416 76	698 93	4,231 82	206 72
Conferences in Europe:																
North Germany	24	456							137			270 49	183 32	87 17		
South Germany	105	1,379							154			286 67	334 59		47 92	
Switzerland	45	1,220							210			663 62	652 79	10 83		
Total in Europe	174	3,055							551			1,220 78	1,170 70	97 97		
Grand Total	386	7,868	19	384	11	270	17	1,364	4,250	76	485	$12,035 16	$15,758 16	$796 90	$3,552 81	$206 72

SCANDINAVIAN WORK

Includes 21 States.

Secretary, MRS. A. FARRELL, 741 Case St., St. Paul, Minn.

In reviewing this year's work, I can truly say the Lord has been with us and His guiding hand we have felt. A year ago when I was elected to superintend our work in America, I feared that it would be impossible to continue the work as it has been commenced, but God's blessing has been manifested in both the work and workers. It is true that it has required hard work and great watchfulness from all the officers and individual members in every auxiliary, but they have willingly and faithfully overcome all obstacles.

We have added a few new auxiliaries, but the increase in membership is slight. The reason for this is that when the societies were first organized, many joined who were not members of the M. E. Church, and most of them left us after awhile.

During this summer, several of our conference secretaries made visits to their auxiliaries, thereby trying to encourage the members. We have also been favored in the Northern Conference by having Mrs. I. W. Joyce with us, and Miss Clara Martin, from Penang. At Lake View, Chicago, the Central Conference had Mrs. Oldham, the first Sunday in July. The Eastern Conference had a special meeting for the missionary cause at the session of the conference in April, at Providence, R. I.

I attended the Northern Conference, which held its session at Marionette, Wis. While there I read the conference secretary's report, and spoke of our work to a large audience. I wish it could have been possible for me to have attended all our conferences.

In the beginning of the year, Miss Jacobson, in Pakur, India, wrote a long letter to each auxiliary, which was very much appreciated. She writes that the work on the buildings is progressing, and she is looking forward to the time when they will be completed. She thinks that then they will be spared much sickness, which comes from damp and poor houses. In her last letter she tells of Mr. Meik's sickness. He managed the work on the buildings, so it would be hard for them if he should have to leave soon. She herself has not been feeling well for some time and needs a missionary there as soon as possible. She asks for a name for the building.

Miss Mary Olson, who went to Penang in August, was well and hopeful when last heard from. She feels sure that she will like

her work there. She believes fully that God will keep her for His service. The auxiliaries in St. Paul and Minneapolis gave Miss Olson a purse of $29 for her outfit.

Our Editor, Mrs. Wm. Henschen, of Chicago, has been most faithful in her work. She has had about four columns of missionary information every other week in our church paper. This literature has increased the knowledge of our work among the members, and has also been of interest to them. She has done all the translating for us.

We have had 3,000 copies of the "Constitution," and 3,000 of a leaflet, the "Woman's Cry," published and sent out to the auxiliaries. Of the "Hindu Women and their Homes," we have had 4,000 copies printed. These we sell at one cent a copy. Next year we must spend more on free literature. There are 298 mite-boxes in use among us.

We can truly say that we have more faith and courage in store for the coming year than we had last year, believing that when our weakness comes in contact with God's strength, there will be no failure.

MRS. A. FARRELL, *Secretary*.

NORTHERN CONFERENCE TO MINNEAPOLIS BRANCH

28 Auxiliaries, 733 Members, 54 Mite-boxes.

Dues	$618.00
Life Members (2)	10.00
Scholarship	10.00
Mite-boxes	7.00
Miss Mary Olson's Outfit	29.15
Total to Branch	$674.15
Total to Contingent Fund	96.44
Grand Total	$770.59

CENTRAL CONFERENCE TO NORTHWESTERN BRANCH

24 Auxiliaries, 550 Members.

Dues	$498.38
Gifts to Pakur Building	98.00
Total to Branch	$596.38
Total to Contingent Fund	24.97
Grand Total	$621.35

EASTERN CONFERENCE TO NEW ENGLAND BRANCH

20 Auxiliaries, 555 Members, 75 Mite-boxes.

Dues	$484.00
Special Gifts to Pakur	20.00
Total to Branch	$504.00
Total to Contingent Fund	61.35
Grand Total	$565.35

WESTERN CONFERENCE TO TOPEKA AND DES MOINES BRANCHES

16 Auxiliaries, 333 Members, 111 Mite-boxes.

Dues	$461.05
To Contingent Fund	46.35
Grand Total	$507.40

CALIFORNIA DISTRICT TO PACIFIC BRANCH

6 Auxiliaries, 107 Members, 58 Mite-boxes.

Dues	$287.25
To Contingent Fund	3.50
Grand Total	$290.75

Total Receipts.

From Different Branches, including Gifts	$2,522.83
From Contingent Fund	232.61
Grand Total	$2,755.44

Total Auxiliaries, 94; Total Membership, 2,278.

Disbursements.

For Literature	$40.65
Conference Secretaries' Expenses	43.94
Secretary's Expenses	25.25
Total Disbursements	$109.84
Balance on hand, October 1, 1903	$122.77

MRS. A. FARRELL, *Treasurer.*

HOME STATISTICS, OCTOBER 1, 1902—OCTOBER 1, 1903.

Branches	Auxiliaries	Members	Young Women and Standard Bearers	Members	King's Heralds and Children's Bands	Members	Little Light Bearers	Conference Sec's	District Secretaries	Sub. to W. Miss Friend	Sub. to Children's Friend	German Friend	Subscribers to The Study	Receipts, including Contingent Fund
New England	470	11 816	21	8 131	188	4 587	2,046	13	31	2,066	3,819	61	2,651	$33,933 08
New York	901	25 541	231	5 710	75	1 656	830	14	44	3 149	4 899	270	4,874	74,570 00
Philadelphia	467	13,585	209	5,278	87	1,904	584	8	29	2,929	2,983	47	4,209	57,057 05
Baltimore	122	3,514	32	1 427	42	1 609	652	4	6	883	1,114	65	915	21,829 19
Cincinnati	890	19 135	175	3,025	119	2,370	238	9	42	2 971	2 655	288	4,708	70 207 95
Northwestern	1,231	31,961	371	8,925	181	4,346	1,894	12	68	5,856	6 253	806	7,698	119,888 39
Des Moines	621	16,503	114	2 749	57	1,667	40	10	34	2,479	2,891	686	4,590	51,082 98
Minneapolis	277	5,568	55	1,070	87	1 952	500	9	16	665	1,807	569	1,190	17,782 89
Topeka	829	7,300	59	1,554	22	535	92	16	40	1,389	1,879	604	2 770	24,000 00
Pacific	136	3,120	13	1,784	31	765	61	5	10	568	852	153	874	15,786 00
Columbia River	89	1,781	28	697	12	225	871	6		410	576	57	678	7,421 98
German	386	7,868	20	384	11	270	(Foreign)			307	258	561		
Swedish	94	2,278					(Scattering)			862	153	82		
Norwegian	4	240												
	6,017	149,205	1,828	38,674	912	21,886	7,826	106	320	24,120	29,560	4,250	35,154	$492,498 82

DISBURSEMENTS BY BRANCHES, OCTOBER 1, 1902—OCTOBER 1, 1903.

	New England	New York	Philadelphia	Baltimore	Cincinnati	Northwestern	Des Moines	Minneapolis	Topeka	Pacific	Columbia River
India	$13,056 55	$30,724 84	$12,735 98	$6,605 00	$27,860 00	$44,969 44	$23,856 12	$4,295 30			
Malaysia	1,105 00		749 00			2,660 00		14,822 35			
Korea	1,766 35	6,048 69	2,913 00	675 00	45 00	650 00		145 00			$2,255 00
Japan	3,805 00	9,276 92	17,091 02	2,498 00	12,190 00	13,225 00	5,475 00	2,713 00			1,029 00
China	8,741 40	14,721 75	4,505 73	2,328 00	5,850 00	26,626 95	10,290 60	2,[illegible]73 98			
Bulgaria	250 00	280 00	320 00			2,303 13		40 00			435 00
Italy	300 00	1,097 25	315 00	139 00	350 00	7,590 00	200 00	1,000 00			2,722 50
South America	2,640 00	4,720 20	390 00			9,580 00					
Mexico	2,837 00	3,080 00	7,325 00	65 00	3,660 00	5,100 00	2,025 00	25 00			15 00
Burma							3,567 50				
Africa		735 00				675 00					
Folts Scholarship Fund		311 72		156 75							
Contingent		2,548 19	1,397 38					1,293 99			
Philippines					860 00	1,600 00	386 00	220 00			88 00
Switzerland						150 00					
North Germany						170 00					
Miscellaneous	4,380 59	4,321 99	1,846 41	7,779 80	12,307 88	10,647 15	862 69				206 59
Total	$38,881 89	$77,866 55	$49,588 52	$20,246 81	$67,577 88	$125,946 67	$46,662 91	$27,528 57	$26,860 97	$17,243 35	$6,751 09

Report of General Treasurer

RECEIPTS

Balance, November 1, 1902, Reported at General Executive..		$21.80
Returned from Trunk Line Agent		11.00
New England Branch	$180	
New York Branch	425	
Philadelphia Branch	212	
Baltimore Branch	66	
Cincinnati Branch	288	
Northwestern Branch	466	
Des Moines Branch	216	
Minneapolis Branch	60	
Topeka Branch	102	
Pacific Branch	42	
Columbia River Branch	23	
		$2,080.00
		$2,112.80

DISBURSEMENTS

Expenses to General Executive Meeting in Minneapolis, November, 1902, of Branch Secretaries, two Delegates and Missionaries, first year at home.

President	$58.50
General Secretary	58.84
Secretary Children's Department	51.40
New England, Secretary, Delegates	170.26
New York, Secretary, Delegates, 2 Missionaries	264.33
Philadelphia, Secretary, Delegates, 1 Missionary	156.43
Baltimore, Secretary, Delegates	138.25
Cincinnati, Secretary, Delegates, 4 Missionaries	245.87
Northwestern, Secretary, Delegates, 7 Missionaries	216.96
Des Moines, Secretary, Delegates, 1 Missionary	54.89
Topeka, Secretary, Delegates	80.28

Pacific, Secretary, Delegates, 1 Missionary	261.65
Columbia River, Secretary, 1 Missionary	96.00
Minneapolis, Delegates	22.06
German, Secretary	10.00
	$1,885.72

Expenses to Reference Committee Meeting at Seabright, N. J., June 2, 1903:

New England Branch	$11.75	
Baltimore Branch	16.82	
Cincinnati Branch	24.00	
Northwestern Branch	49.00	
Des Moines Branch	50.00	
Minneapolis Branch	50.00	
Topeka Branch	73.00	
		$274.57
Expenses, Committee on Foreign Property, printing, postage, etc.		$10.15
Expenses General Secretary, printing, postage, etc.	$19.39	
Expenses Secretary Children's Dept., printing, postage, etc.	8.82	
		28.21
Expenses of securing Power of Attorney for Elizabeth Russell, Nagasaki		3.25
Cablegram to Sendai, Japan	7.28	
Cablegram to Baroda, India	8.60	
		$15.88

Total disbursements	$2,217.78
Receipts	2,112.80
Deficit, October 1, 1903	$104.98

HARRIET B. SKIDMORE, *Treasurer.*

Audited and found correct:

CAROLINE C. LAYCRAP.
L. M. STROW.
SARAH K. CORNELL.

Report of Foreign Work

OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE

INDIA

NORTH INDIA CONFERENCE

Organized as a Conference in 1864.
Woman's Work Commenced in 1869.

MISSIONARIES

Bareilly.
FANNIE M. ENGLISH,
MARY WILSON,
MARGARET D. LEWIS, M.D.

Budaon
*KATE O. CURTS.

Pithoragarh.
MARY REED
ANNIE BUDDEN,
MARTHA SHELDON, M.D.
LUCY W. SULLIVAN.

Naini Tal.
SARAH A. EASTON,
RUE E. SELLERS.

Lucknow.
*FLORENCE L. NICHOLS,
*MARION NEWTON,
HELEN INGRAM,
*EVA M. HARDIE,
LOUISE T. BROUSE,
RUTH E. ROBINSON,
LILAVATI SINGH,
ELIZABETH HOGE.

Pauri.
THERESA J. KYLE.

Gonda.
FANNIE SCOTT,
E. M. RUDDICK.

Moradabad.
ALICE MEANS.
MARY MEANS.

Sitapur.
IDA GRACE LOPER.

Shahjahanpur.
CLARA M. ORGAN.

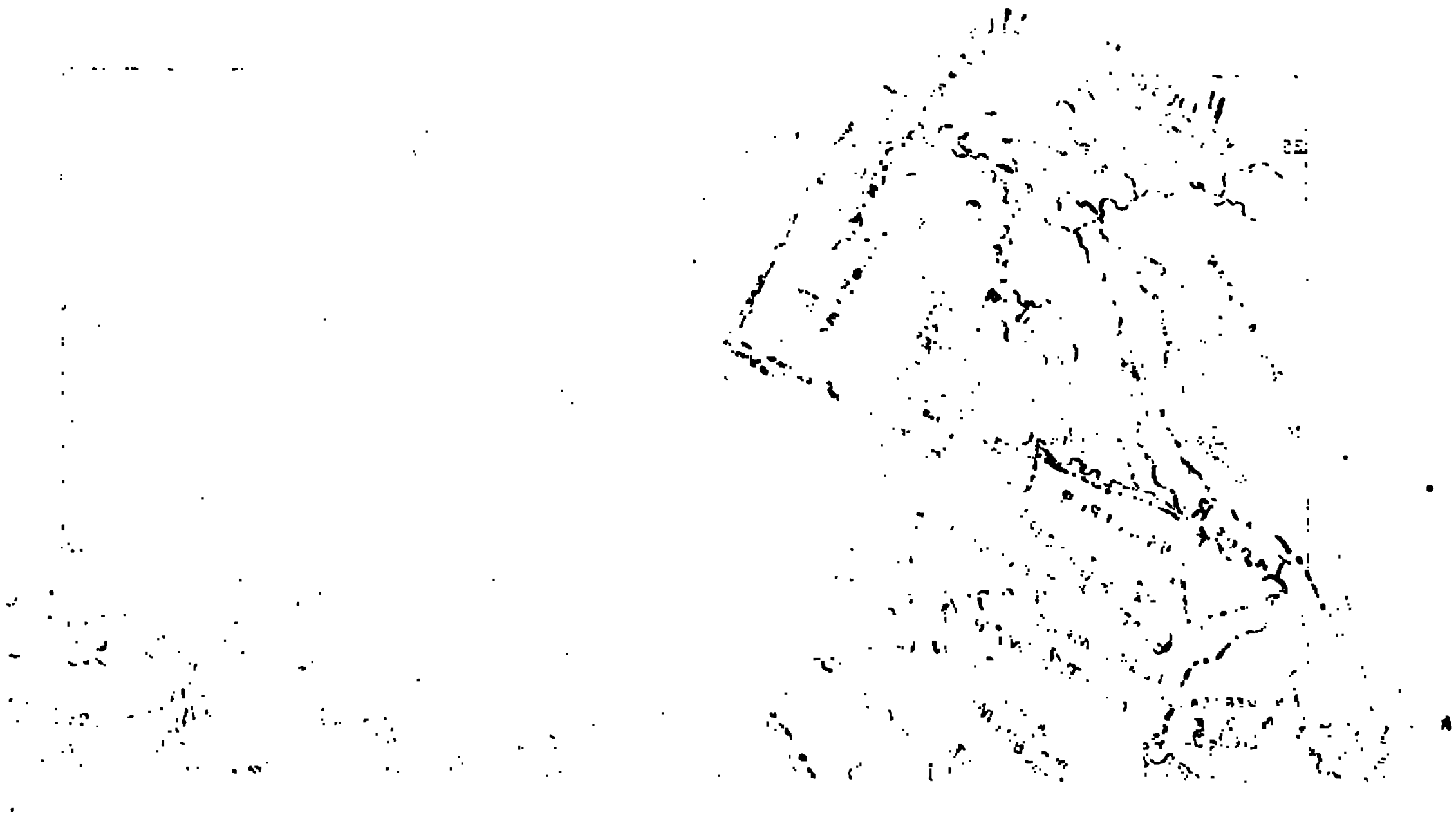
WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE OF WORK

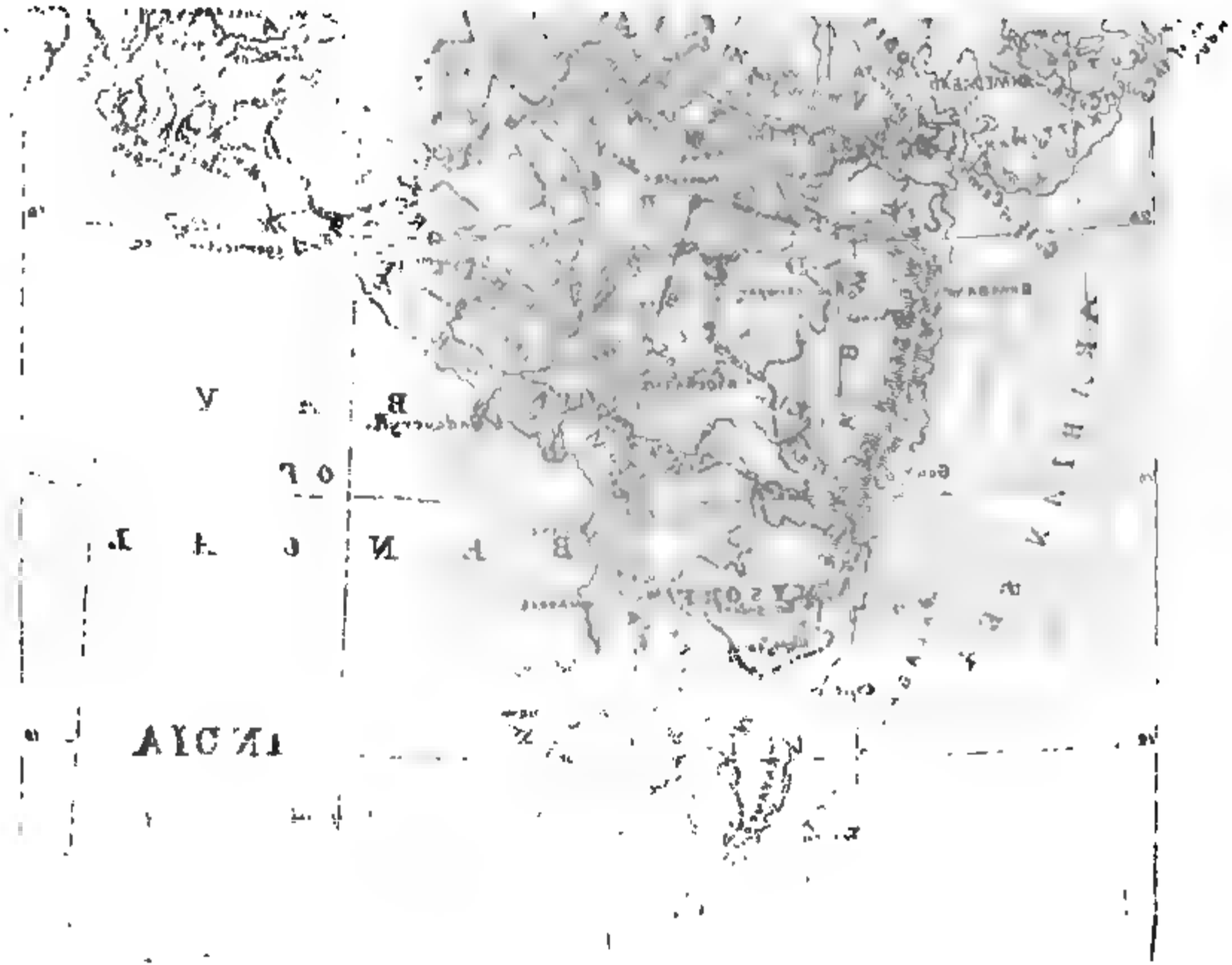
MRS. E. W. PARKER,
*MRS. J. H. GILL,
MRS. W. A. MANSELL,
MRS. C. L. BARE,
MRS. F. L. NEELD,
MRS. J. BLACKSTOCK,
MRS. J. W. ROBINSON,
MRS. T. J. SCOTT.
MRS. J. B. THOMAS,
MRS. J. H. MESSMORE,
MRS. C. C. ASHE.
MRS. S. KNOWLES,
*MRS. J. A. CORE,
MRS. N. L. ROCKEY,
MRS. J. N. WEST,
MRS. A. B. HEWES,

*On home leave.

Another year of most successful work has crowned the labors of our missionaries and teachers in this, the first field in India, and indeed in any country for distinctive work under the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

Nine Presiding Elder's Districts are included in this Conference, in each of which our Society holds an important place in the propagation of the Gospel story of peace, and though handicapped by an in-





sufficient force of workers, so that some important centers have been left without a missionary, still a most successful year has been added to those reported heretofore.

BAREILLY-KUMOAN DISTRICT with its far-reaching territory takes in many mountain stations, and includes very important work on the plains. Naini Tal the noted mountain station with the Wellesley High School, keeps up a record for character building as well as for scholarship, and for growth on all lines. Miss Easton is still at the head, after giving a quarter of a century to this work of uplifting India's daughters, whether native or of foreign parentage. Hindustani work under Mrs. Neeld's superintendence is carried on by one assistant, four teachers and three Bible-women. Naini Tal, Tarai, and Bhabar work are under the care of Mrs. Knowles and a large force of teachers and Bible-women are employed. New recruits have been gathered in Huldwani and Isai Nagar.

THE DWARAHAT Boarding School opened with twenty-six girls, and though poorly equipped in the way of teachers finished the year with credit. Nineteen villages are regularly visited by Dwarahat Bible-women.

BHOT. Dr. Sheldon and Miss Brown still hold the fort on the Thibetan border. Once they got over the lines and did some work but were discovered and escorted back across the border, not however until they secured a Thibetan teacher. Their work continues to be self-supporting. Pithoragarh Circuit includes the Girls' Boarding School, the Home for Homeless Women, medical work and evangelistic work and all these interests are in a flourishing condition. 80 girls are in the Boarding School, 70 in the Woman's Home, which is really an Industrial Home as the women work in various ways, ten of them being blind. One Bible-woman goes from village to village, sometimes groping her way or led by another, and tells the story of peace wherever she can find an auditor.

BAREILLY. This brings us down to the plains where the multitudes are found and the poor are always present. The Orphanage and Boarding School with three hundred and thirty-one on the roll, would be enough to keep one busy. Miss English reports a good year, though a very busy one. The Woman's School under Mrs. T. J. Scott is composed of the wives of preachers who are in the Theological Seminary. 53 names were on the roll during the year, 34 took the Bible reader's course of study and most of them passed. The good accomplished by this school can hardly be over estimated. The opening of Medical Work in Bareilly was early in the history of our Society, and was specially notable by the gift of the Nawab of Rampur of

property valued at $15,000, which was a great help in creating sentiment for this society not in India only, but with the doubting Marthas in our own land. Dr. Margaret Lewis reports most fully and encouragingly of the work under her care. The attendance is about the same as last year, rich and poor, high and low caste Mohammedans, Hindus and Christians have come for treatment, the daily attendance varying from 40 to 200, the greatest number during the hot months, the smallest the weeks of heathen festival. All who come spend a time in the waiting room listening to the Bible-woman who sits reading Bible stories or singing bhajans and gazals in which the story of salvation is told, and in many ways the seed is sown day by day During eight months of 1903 the patients in the dispensary have numbered 5,769, with 10,229 return visits, a total 15,998. This year so far we have 325 in-patients, double the number for the corresponding months last year. We average about 20 patients at a time. A year ago we began using the larger rooms for wards, which has largely increased the in-patient work; we have been granted support for six beds which has been a great blessing especially to the poor christians, who could not stay unless we gave them food. In the coming year we hope to have twelve beds supported, and need many more, besides the Zenana and village work in Bareilly, work is carried on in eight large circuits by 31 Bible-women, many of whom are wives of the native pastors.

WEST SHAHJAHANPUR. The Bidwell Memorial School is under Miss Organ's superintendence, where 80 girls are given christian teaching with most satisfactory results.

GARHUAL DISTRICT includes the Pauri Gadoli Circuit with headquarters at Pauri. The Girls' Orphanage and Boarding School at Pauri numbered 118 and reported a prosperous year, though with many trials. The district work was superintended by Mrs. Messmore, and consisted of the labors of six Bible-women, and here as elsewhere, "His word will not return unto Him void."

MORADABAD DISTRICT is a very compact one consisting of eleven large circuits, each with its net work of christian work. Besides the city and village work in Moradabad and Budaon, there are two Boarding Schools, each meeting a great want and having a good record.

SAMBAHL DISTRICT consists of seven large circuits. The Woman's Work is superintended by Mrs. M. Adams, the Sunday Schools are well attended and the Bible-women's work rich in results.

BIJNOUR DISTRICT has nine large circuits besides the work in Bijnour. Mrs. W. A. Mansell is in charge here and reports en-

couragingly of the boarding school and city work, 19 Bible-women are employed in the various out-stations, and in most of them there is also a day school, and in some cases the fear and prejudice is giving way to the first steps in christian life. *Pilibhit District* like Sambahl is all native work and is under the superintendence of Mrs. Bella Cutling. There are ten out-stations or circuits. The number of baptized women and girls is 2,159. *Hardoi District* is under the care of Mrs. Tupper, wife of the Presiding Elder of the district. She is also a medical graduate and finds a wide field for helping the body as well as the soul. Mrs. Parker who has charge of the evangelistic work, remembering what it was ten years ago, sees a great advance. Then no one thought a girl could be educated, now there is a fine boarding school with over 50 girls in it. The Woman's Conference was presided over by the native Presiding Elder's wife, and all the business was well conducted.

OUDH DISTRICT occupies a territory of five thousand square miles, and reaches from the Ganges on the south to the borders of Nepaul on the north, six million people are accessible, half of these are the objects of interest and labor to the W. F. M. Society. The story of peace must reach them from a woman's lips. Besides the centers at Lucknow and Sitapur, there are nine large circuits in which 350 Bible-women, with the aid of 214 evangelistic teachers carry the bread of life to those who are ready to perish. They are greatly aided by the wives of our missionaries, many of whom do double work in assisting their husbands, yet find a place for this distinctively woman's work. There are 15,112 baptized women and girls in this district, Sitapur Boarding School with 70 girls under the care of Miss Loper, has passed a successful year. A deep religious interest and the decided stand taken by many for the right are among the things to be thankful for in this school at Lucknow, with College and High School and a prosperous city work. Progress is reported on every line from College to Kindergarten, and the need of help is very urgent. The Deaconess Home fills a great want and is a help to each of the other divisions. Hospital visitation, temperance work, cottage prayer meetings, Bible readings and many other helps come from this quiet stream of influence that enriches as it flows onward.

GONDA DISTRICT consists of Gonda proper and nine circuits in which 32 Bible-women are employed, and the average attendance of listeners each month is 1,235. 27 Bible-women are employed. The removal of Miss Hoge from this district without sending some one in her place was a necessity perhaps, but it left a heavy burden on Miss Scott. The Boarding School is happy in the fact that the assistant

teachers come from Miss Easton's School, at Naini Tal, and are thoroughly prepared for their work.

This district needs to be reinforced and the school building should be enlarged and that speedily.

Summing up the work of the North India Conference at the close of 34 years we have

Missionaries of Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	21
Wives of foreign missionaries	16
Wives of native members of Conference	66
Assistants	12
Evangelistic teachers	244
Bible Readers	355
Voluntary workers	122
Number of baptized women and girls	15,122
Number baptized in the last year	684
Number of unbaptized women and girls in Christian families	2,460
Number of Christian women under instruction	7,536
Number of non-Christian women under instruction	12,076
Average number of listeners each month	13,381

In view of results achieved and prayers answered, we can pass the word along the whole line—"Speak to the women of world-wide Methodism that they go forward!"

MRS. E. T. COWEN, *Official Correspondent.*

NORTH WEST INDIA CONFERENCE

Organized as a Conference in 1892.

MISSIONARIES

Ajmer.

CHARLOTTE HOLMAN,
EDNA BECK, M. D.

Phalera.

ANNIE E. LAWSON,
LILY GREEN,
LILIAN E. MARKS.

Aligarh.

LAURA G. BOBENHOUSE.

Cawnpore.

ADA J. LAUCK,

Meerut.

MELVA LIVERMORE,
ANNIE S. WINSLOW.

Muttra.

MARY E. GRIGG,
ISABEL MCKNIGHT.

Brindaban.

EMMA SCOTT, M. D.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES.

MRS. SCOTT,
MRS. ASHE,
MRS. CLANCY,
MRS. WILSON,
MRS. MANSELL.
MRS. HOSKINS,
MRS. BUCK,
MRS. THOMAS,
MRS. D. CLANCY,
MRS. LYON.

Statistics.

Number of Boarding Schools, 12; Scholars, 873. High School, 1; Scholars, 161. Day Schools, 147; Scholars, 1649. Sunday Schools, 316; Scholars, 6611. Missionaries, 12. Wives of Missionaries, 10. Bible Readers, 185. Baptized Women and Girls, 18.995.

Every letter from this conference has brought joy to our hearts. The schools increase in numbers and efficiency, the Bible-women are welcomed to the villages and people are turning from their false gods.

MEERUT. Miss Livermore says: Three more girls have passed the Government examinations, the grant in aid was again increased, the Inspectress' report was the best ever given and the scheme has had mention in Government circles, but we pass by these items, which represent days of thought, study and labor, to that which is of greatest interest, to that for which the Howard Plested memorial school was founded and is maintained, the growth in christian character and usefulness. Our girls may know Urdu, Hindi, Arithmetic, Geography and History, but if they do not know the language of the christian life, if they do not know the difference between sin and salvation, if

they do not know the kingdom of the human heart and the ravages that sin can make therein, if they know nothing of heart victories, if they are unacquainted with the land marks of advanced christian life, then is the letter being carried out and not the spirit of the founding of the scheme.

"These ought ye to have done and not to leave the other undone."

Following the conference in January, there was a revival in the school, conversions were of the old stamp, convictions genuine. I cannot say that all of the girls were converted but many were reached and decided definitely for Christ. In our class meeting the power of God is felt and we continue to plan and work for the future, for there is much territory yet for grace to gain in the hearts of these girls.

In our Meerut district we have sixty village teachers, most of whom are wives of our Pastor teachers. They are, as a rule simple village women, not long christian, having received their instruction in our training schools. We find them most helpful in the work among the people. Of the eleven thousand christians in this district, forty-six hundred are women and girls, nine hundred of whom have been baptized this year. For these girls and women we have 54 Sunday schools and 24 day schools. There has been steady growth among the people and whenever they have had proper care, real advancement in the christian life. Though our chief work has been to care for the christians, yet we have not been unmindful of the heathen. As a rule each Bible Reader has a circle of Hindu and Mohammedan houses where she visits and teaches the women and girls.

MUTTRA. Miss McKnight writes: We have had a good year. In the spirit of the school especially we feel that our prayers are being answered. The girls are interesting and lovable. The more I get hold of the language, the easier it is to get hold of the girls. The inspectress spoke of improvement in discipline as well as scholarship which is a great encouragement. When our school opened again in July, nearly all of our girls returned and with them sixteen new ones. Of the five girls who finished their course in May, one is at work with Mrs. Mansell in Bijnour, one who was from the London Mission returned to them in Almora, and is now doing Zenana work, the other three were sent here by Miss Budden of Pithoragarh, and have returned to her. She expects to use them in her evangelistic band this cold season. She says her best and most reliable Bible Readers are Muttra trained girls. One of the most interesting new girls we have had during the year is a girl who ran off and came here. She was married when a child. Her people are christians but her husband's are not.

He took her to live with them and they greatly mistrusted her and when she could bear it no longer started out and walked through country, inquiring as she went the location of the mission. She finally found us and seems contented and happy. One interesting feature of the training work has been a three week's trip into the villages with all the English students and the senior class of the Hindustani students. By this trip they had an insight into the conditions as they exist, into methods of work, and gained a real interest in the development of the ignorant village christians. There has been a marked difference in the enthusiasm with which they have taken hold of practical work since then. The preachers and their wives were the teachers, and the classes sat under the shade of the trees or in the wide verandas of the mission houses. Bishop Warne was present five days and led many to know Christ better. The Bible Readers who had finished the course were taken through Acts and Bible catechism. One old sister, Salome Das, almost too old to work, became so interested that she said she saw in her dreams, Paul on his journeys. In the classes the women were seated on the floor, babies in arms and several little ones around them working at their lessons, the wonder was that they could remember anything. Yet women who had never known a letter nor written a stroke could read and write the Hindu alphabet before the school closed, and by next summer school they will read the first Hindu book. Dr. Emma Scott of Brindaban opened a little dispensary and cared for the sick, as this is the time for fevers and sore eyes.

BRINDABAN. Our workers here are living in hope that it will not be long before the new hospital building will be in process of construction. For this building we want a piece of land adjoining the present property, which is owned by several people. The agent is friendly and says there is no doubt but we can secure the land in time. Meanwhile, writes Dr. Scott, we are busy trying to care for those who come, and we enjoy making plans for the new building. The total number of visits for the year is 20,800, of new cases, 6,553, besides many who have been treated in Muttra during the summer school and district conference, lasting over five weeks, an average of over 40 patients a day.

On Sunday our workers go out in three groups to hold schools. They are usually held by the road-side under a tree and the children are taught songs and the catechism and given a picture card each Sunday. The Dispensary Bible-woman is very faithful in the delivery of the message, she sits on the veranda or in the waiting room and teaches the women as they go in and out or are waiting for their

turn to be treated. They listen with great interest and occasionally come just to listen. We hope to have a more permanent influence over them when our new building is completed and we can have them for some time under our care.

AJMER. Notwithstanding the fact that in the city of Ajmer more than sixty evangelistic meetings are held weekly by the Methodist Episcopal mission alone, yet there are thousands untouched by the gospel. As we enter the gates of the native city and see on all sides heathenism rampant, and nothing to remind us of christianity, our hearts cry out for more laborers in this whitened harvest field. The work of the Bible Readers is systematically arranged so that different mohallas and families are visited each day in the week. The women are eager to hear, and many of them we believe are christian at heart, but open confession would mean the sacrifice of homes and friends, and these sheltered women do not dare to take the stand.

The Girls' Boarding school has had a year of prosperity. The Lord has been good, no epidemic has entered the compound and not one of the girls has been called to the other shore. The school is making rapid strides in educational lines and it is most encouraging to note the progress in a class from one quarter to another.

What wonderful things the Lord has wrought in these poor famine children. Two years ago they were mere physical wrecks, but now in the full bloom of health, their mental development is nothing less than marvelous. The eagerness with which they apply themselves warrants us in any effort or expenditure. Frequently an entire class comes to ask for longer hours of study, or for advancement to more difficult branches.

PHALERA. The year has brought improvements in many ways. A new mud-walled thatch-roofed church has been built and a new school house in the girls' compound built of the same primitive material and in the same manner, with a broad veranda on all sides in which the classes sit for recitation. Fifteen of the more advanced girls have been transferred to the Ajmer school, and at present there are 256 girls and 46 women.

About one hundred bushels of grain were harvested, and all the vegetables used by this large family were raised by the girls and women. They cut the grain and winnowed it. The women also spin the yarn used in making the beautiful rugs turned out by the Boys Orphanage.

During the winter 75 girls were received into full membership of the church and all the new ones after careful instruction were baptized. A mela and camp meeting held at Tilaunia were a source of

help and blessing to many. Nearly a thousand boys and girls were in attendence, the future hope of Rajputana.

CAWNPORE. The total enrollment for the Cawnpore Girls' High school has been 161, of whom 84 have been boarders. The health of the school has been excellent, and although plague was rampant in the city, in the words of scripture, "It has not come nigh our dwelling." In this school there has been great need for a missionary, Miss Lauck having given eleven years of faithful service without a furlough, but before time for another report we hope this need will have been abundantly supplied.

Although no official report has come of our work on the Allahabad District Orphanage and Day schools, Aligarh Orphanage, Industrial home and District work, and of the Punjab and Kasganj Districts, yet did time and space permit, we could tell of much that has reached us from various sources to encourage and cheer at each point and in every department. To God be all the Glory.

MATILDA WATSON, *Official Correspondent.*

SOUTH INDIA CONFERENCE

Organized as a Conference 1876.
Reorganized 1886.

MISSIONARIES

Haiderabad.
CATHERINE WOOD,
ALICE EVANS,
ELIZABETH WELLS.

Kolar.
FANNIE F. FISHER,
FLORENCE MASKELL,
URDELL MONTGOMERY,
GRACE WOODS.

Madras.
GRACE STEPHENS.

Raichur.
NORMA FENDERICK.

Raipur.
EMILY L. HARVEY.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE OF WORK

Raipur.
MRS. GEO. K. GILDER.

Bidar.
MRS. A. E. COOK.

RAIPUR. Miss Harvey is holding the fort here under such serious conditions as imperil life. The widows and orphans are crowded into close and poorly ventilated quarters in the cold season, and washed entirely out of them when it rains. They sit at night on the veranda of Miss Harvey's bungalow on the driest spots they can find, and it is difficult in the morning to replace their soaked garments with dry

ones, so badly does the store-room leak. It is not surprising that sickness to an alarming extent has prevailed, so that Miss Harvey has been obliged to crowd eighteen into two rooms occupied usually by four.

The strain and anxiety resulted in fever for herself, and when that was over ophthalmia set in, and with bandaged eyes suffering agony she lay in a dark room for days. Her assistants, she says, are pure gold, and they have cared for all the work when she was laid by or absent to the best of their ability. Her Bible-women are doing excellent work and reporting converts and inquirers. Improvement with the children in their studies, morals and deportment is very encouraging. She is constantly refusing admission to the girls that come, and that need so badly the protection and training the school and orphanage would give. We have in South India at the present time no need so great as that of an associate missionary to Miss Harvey, together with the buildings the work requires.

SIRONCHA. Here interests are still in the hands of the native pastor and his wife Deborah. Rev. C. B. Ward, acting presiding elder in the absence of Mr. Gilder, reports the school work advancing satisfactorily and the health, morals and spiritual life of the women and girls well looked after. Two of our missionaries should soon be sent to Sironcha. Who will offer herself?

HAIDERABAD. Miss Wood says: We are enjoying our Zenana Home. You doubtless have seen it illustrated in the South India Woman's Conference report, and I must say that it looks better outside than it does inside. It had always been used as an office, and after it had been renovated and put in order the change was very marked. She expresses with confidence the hope that the work we are doing in the hearts and minds of the women and girls in that Mohammedan city may produce as great a change. When she meets discouragements she looks backward and measures success. It is not long since every Zenana was barred, now more doors are open than they can enter. Her Zenana party was a decided success, and women from the city have visited her, one party remaining two days and two nights. The school work is very encouraging, attendance constantly increasing. The Bible-women in twelve different villages and neighborhoods are doing regular work.

KOLAR. Miss Fisher reporting says: Miss Maskell's work has been specially blessed of the Lord. Several converts have received public baptism, and one Gosha woman (Mohammedan) who felt she could not face the public, having been so carefully concealed in her home, came to the Deaconess Home and was baptized, that being the

first time she had looked upon a man other than her immediate family. Three other Gosha women stole away from their homes at night and came in at a back door of the Home to the public Sunday evening service. Many more have given up idol worship and abandoned heathen ceremonies. The village schools are very prosperous, and in revival services conducted by Miss Maskell nearly all the boys and girls sought Jesus the Saviour and were saved for service. Many are total abstainers from intoxicating drinks and actively engaged in temperance work. Fifteen new girls have been received into the orphanage and its fame has spread to the city of Mysore. This the result of a prize competition for one yard of lace. One girl received the 1st prize in the All-India Sunday School examination in Kanarese. There has been much sickness and some deaths and only an intemperate native doctor to look to for help.

VIKERABAD. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society found itself very unexpectedly, at the close of the last South India Conference, in Vikerabad, by the transfer of Miss Wells from Hyderabad. Let this be our interpretation of the unexpected: God knew better than we what we could do, and so thrust us out. Miss Wells finds ample opportunity for building up a great work, and her strength is taxed to the utmost. With her Bible-women she visits in eight villages each week, going to the nearer ones more than once. She says: "Think of a parish of two thousand and four hundred square miles, containing a half-million souls, with yourself the only W. F. M. S. missionary and only one representative from the General Board." She has fifteen girls in the boarding-school. Sympathy with and relief given to the sick and unfortunate have done much to make a place for herself and her work in the hearts of the people, and they conclude that the message she brings—"God is Love"—must be true.

BANGALORE.—Here another surprise awaited us. Miss Montgomery, the new missionary, was placed there and given the care of the Girls' Department of the Baldwin Boarding School, designed to be a co-educational institution. Not having received any report from there, I am unable to give one.

RAICHUR.—We are again reminded of Dr. S. L. Baldwin's humorous interpretation of our initials—W. F. M. S.—as "Woman's Friendly Marrying Society."

In June last Dr. Ernsberger led to the hymeneal altar our missionary, Miss Margaret R. Carver. Nothing was lacking but good Cincinnati's blessing, which of course she gave, and Philadelphia, equally good, supplied the vacancy. Land for buildings, appropri-

ated for last year, had not, August 6, been secured, but there was fair prospect of getting a fine site soon.

The latest report of the school was fifty-five pupils. Miss Carver wrote, "We have so many grown girls in the School, some acting as pupil-teachers, that the discipline of the school is an easy problem. Lying and stealing, faults so common in this land, are almost unknown among us, and a more trustworthy set of girls it would be difficult to find.

MADRAS. "Embarrassed by my riches" I scarcely know how to cull from them the brief report I am permitted to give. Of the schools I offer this testimony to their excellence and Miss Stephens' management. After an examination made by the Government Inspectress, without Miss Stephens' solicitation, she received a grant in aid of Rupees 1,300. This for native mission work is extraordinary. Dr. Rudisill made the Scripture examination of the orphanage and schools and says: "On occasion of my first examination I thought your schools did finely, but on this they did what one would call the 'impossible,' were he not present and heard for himself the amazing rapidity, fluency and correctness of the replies to the questions put to all standards from the seventh to the kindergarteners. Of the 1,500 questions asked, but nine called forth the slightest hesitancy, and only two were missed." The Skidmore Orphanage receives frequent accessions, and its motherly arms are always extended to the unfortunate ones who need its care. Miss D'Jordan in charge of Zenana work reports 17,283 visits made in the city by herself and her assistants. 335 women regular pupils and 11,487 listeners. Sooboonagam, the high born and once haughty Brahmin is being more and more transformed into the likeness of Him who said, "I am among you as one who serveth." She spent Christmas morning in the hot kitchen preparing a Christmas dinner for the poor village christians, and in Bethesda, the little house at the gate, she served them. Miss Stephens says "you can judge what their condition was when I tell you I did not dare loan them our dishes, and the food was placed on leaves that they might be destroyed when used." Such service makes a profound impression. The Holy Spirit through Sooboonagam has made many converts, and some are waiting on God to show them his time to forsake all and in baptism acknowledge him Lord and Master. The keeper of the temple with which John the converted priest, "the man with the noseless face" was identified, and the goldsmith are among the more noted converts, but the one that caused her most anxiety and which placed her entire compound in greatest peril was a girl named Lingamah, "a little queen

in her village" who slipped from her home in the early morning. Her absence was soon discovered and then began the efforts of her people to get her back, pleading, bribing, threatening, raving. Her answer always, "I cannot go back," "Jesus is my Lord, my Life." Miss Stephens was obliged to call in the police and they were there a long time, day and night.

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BOMBAY CONFERENCE

Organized as a Conference 1892.
Woman's Work Commenced 1884.

MISSIONARIES

Basim.
MARTHA J. MILLER.

Godhra.
ANNA A. ABBOTT.

Khandwa.
ANNA R. ELICKER.

Bombay.
CHRISTINA H. LAWSON,
ANNIE NORTON, M. D.,
HELEN E. ROBINSON.

Baroda.
SARAH B. TURNER,
MARY B. TUTTLE, M. D,
MARY E. WILLIAMS.

Poona.
FANNIE A. BENNETT,
ESTELLE M. FILES.

Jabalpur.
LOUISE HEAFER.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE OF WORK

MRS. M. D. ABBOTT,
MRS. E. B. FREASE,
MRS. W. E. ROBBINS,
MRS. R. G. WARD,
MRS. G. W. PARK.
MRS. D. O. FOX,
MRS. W. L. CLARKE,

OTHER LADIES IN CHARGE OF WORK

MRS. DR. STEPHENS.
MISS A. HOLM,
MRS. E. VARDON.

IN CHARGE OF ENGLISH WORK

MRS. LINZELL,
MRS. WOOD,
MRS. CALKINS,
MRS. OSBORNE.
MISS JOAN DAVIS,

ON LEAVE TO AMERICA

MISS NETTIE M. HYDE, W. F. M. S.
MISS ELIZABETH NICHOLLS, W. F. M. S.
MRS. E, R. FELT,
MRS. W. H. BRUERE,
MISS MARTELLE ELLIOTT, W. F. M. S.
MISS ELIZABETH BENTHEIM, W. F. M. S.
MRS. W. H. MOORE,
MRS, W. H. STEPHENS.

BOMBAY DISTRICT, *Bombay.* Miss Nicholls having gone home on furlough, Miss Helen Robinson was appointed to the work and thus writes concerning it. "I have only taken a bird's eye view of the evangelistic work carried on in the tenements and Zenanas visited by our women. It is vast in its possibilities, but no general

statement can be made of the attitude of the women toward the Bible teaching they receive from the workers. That can only be illustrated by the parable of the sower. We are earnestly praying for fruit. Thus far but one woman has been baptized, a Parsee lady who is the first convert in Mrs. Bhimjibhoy's work. I am teaching the Life of Christ to a Brahmo Samaj lady of more than ordinary intelligence. She has the Unitarian conception of Christ but is without knowledege of the facts of His Life.

Miss Newing has come to take Mrs. Fritchley's place. We hope she may in time fill the place in the hearts and homes of the women which her predecessor did. Visiting the church members is very absorbing work. They are always willing to call their neighbors in while the Hindus and Mohammedans are more exclusive.

City and Day Schools. We may have to lay dear old Raibai aside to do only Bible-woman's work. She has been teaching a Hindu day school for thirteen years. The other day school, which was closed on account of plague has about one hundred children now. We would like to rent larger quarters and introduce Kindergarten work but it is difficult to get teachers. In connection with each of these schools is a Sunday school. We started an open air Sunday school in front of Sarahbai's house before she got plague. Now that she has recovered we hope she and the school may be the means of evangelizing the large district of more than sixty families, where she and her husband are the only christians.

An ideal plan for the work in Bombay would be to have one missionary with plenty of resources to open and supervise day schools and Sunday schools and have a training class for teachers.

The Marathi Woman's Friend, I fear has suffered by change of editors but I hope by practice to make it helpful to mothers and children. It opens new houses for us continually."

Boarding School. Miss Lawson reports as follows: We praise God for having brought us through danger, for although plague threatened to invade our school, and we were obliged to move to Telagaon, still the only case that occurred was a girl whose father insisted upon taking her home. Shanti contracted the disease while there and died. She was one of the brightest girls and was in the high school. Early in the year measles claimed one victim and other diseases took away others and there has been much sickness. We shall be glad when we can have a new and sanitary building.

The girls did well at the annual inspection and we added a matriculation class. This has necessitated taking on another assistant. The spiritual condition of the school is good and there have

been several conversions. In November twenty-two were received into full membership and on Conference Sunday nine were baptized. Yesterday Bishop Warne spoke to the school and baptized five little girls.

POONA. *Day Schools and Evangelistic Work.* Of this work Mrs. Fox says: "For the seventh time since 1896 the plague compelled us to close our schools, some for two months, others for three. For some time before they were closed, the attendance dwindled, owing to the removal of many families from the city into the country. Many of our pupils died and in many cases whole families were wiped out. One little girl said to her mother shortly before she died, "Do not cry mother, I am not yours now, I belong to Jesus and am going to Him." We rejoice that we have been able to tell these little ones of Jesus' love. We have a bright new room for the Frederick Rice Memorial, but the rent is considerably higher than we were paying for the other, which, however, had become really unfit for use. The Bible-women have worked faithfully and not without results. One woman, a Brahmin, has been baptized and her little boy is now attending one of our low caste schools.

Taylor High School for Girls. In addition to her other duties, Mrs. Fox has had the charge of this school, which duty, she only agreed to undertake with the understanding that some one would be sent from America for that purpose as soon as possible. Mrs. Fox writes, "It gave me great joy to hear that Mrs. Eddy had consented to come, for I believe she will prove God's chosen one for the place." A spirit of love and harmony pervades the school and the work is progressing steadily, though we have been somewhat crippled by Miss Files' extended stay in the hills owing to the state of her health. I have been especially pleased to see the willingness of the other teachers to assume extra duties when necessity required. The Wednesday morning prayer meetings are seasons of spiritual blessings. We could use more scholarships if we had them. One of our last year scholarship girls passed the matriculation examination and has entered the Isabella Thoburn College to fit herself more thoroughly for teaching.

Poona Medical Work. From Mrs. Dr. Stephens who is in charge of this work comes the following: "I have had much joy in seeing some remarkable recoveries among our poor patients. Many others have been relieved and we have had to mourn over those whose lives could not be saved. From December 1st, 1901, to November 3d, 1902, we have had 3,058 new cases and 4,252 return visits. The work being largely among our Christian school children, both English

and Native, we have not had the results in conversions we would otherwise have had. My weekly class with the beggars has been regularly held. They are attentive and responsive and Bishop Warne remarked when he conducted the class sometime ago, "The fruit of this work will be seen in heaven." The three girls in training for Bible-women are doing well, as is also Ramabai, whom I taught compounding and who is now learning nursing in Ludhiana.

GUJARAT DISTRICT, *Ahmedabad.* Rev. Mr. Robbins reports for this work, that during the past year Sonabai Yakub and her husband have been opening up new work in the city which is more difficult than the village work. She assists her brother in the day school and Sunday school besides having five mohallas to visit as a Bible-woman, with an aggregate attendance of about one hundred. Laverbai Punja and her husband are stationed this year at a village named Kanj, where they have a community of about one hundred christians who are being faithfully instructed. She had a day school till the services of the children for gathering fruits were in such demand that she had to relinquish it for a time.

BARODA. *Orphanage and Boarding School.* Miss Williams who is the superintendent of this school rejoices in that they have at last begun to build, and hopes soon to be in their new quarters. Much credit is due to Rev. Mr. Frease and Rev. Mr. Ayers who have been untiring in their efforts to secure the property, and now Mr. Ayers is superintending the erection of the buildings. Concerning the Orphanage, Miss Williams writes: "The number of the girls is on the increase and our work among them has been blessed and prospered. We find them ready hearers of the word and many are doers also. The school work has gone on steadily during the year, and with our staff of competent teachers the progress of the school has been most satisfactory. Our hearts are filled with joy and thanksgiving as we enumerate the Father's gifts to us, for surely our cup with blessings overflows. May we be found worthy of all the loving kindness and measure up to his will concerning us."

Woman's Evangelistic Training School. The school has grown in numbers and grade so that a second teacher has been employed. For the past five months the sessions have been held in the new church and school building, in which we have three beautiful class rooms besides a larger assembly room in connection with the Men's Department. Forty-six women have attended during the past year, sixteen have been appointed to the work, three have withdrawn, and one has died, making the first death in the school. The daily sessions are opened with devotional exercises, and of course regular instruc-

tion is given in the Bible, catechism, etc. During the last District Conference at a special service conducted by Bishop Warne, a number of the women came forward to receive a fuller baptism for service and at the Love Feast Sunday morning all testified to having received it. There has been a real work of grace done in their hearts.

Godhra Evangelistic Work. Mrs. Phulbai Ward writes of this work: "The seven women whom I have regularly employed are most of them doing steady and faithful work here in spite of the fact that woman's work is as hard in this place as in most other countries. When Bishop Thoburn visited our circuit last March, he baptized eight hundred and thirty-seven people, of whom at least one-fourth were women. This was due to the faithful work that had been done by the women. I regularly conduct the Sabbath school in connection with the Girl's orphanage, and the circuit workers' wives. During the Bishop's visit we had the pleasure of seeing ninety-nine baptized. I hope shortly to establish some fresh workers in a neighboring state, where there is no christian work whatever."

Godhra Girls' Orphanage. Miss Abbott continues to labor in this work with success. During the past year she has been surrounded by plague, but with two exceptions the girls were kept free from it, and in both those instances the patients recovered. The girls do all their own work and are diligent students of the Bible, and considering their inheritances have made wonderful progress during the time they have been in the school. More than three hundred have been cared for in the school during the past year and the health on the whole has been very good.

Gujarat Evangelistic Work. Miss Holms who has charge of four circuits of this work reports most encouragingly of it. She says: "The two Bible-women whom I have under my care and who are fully trained have done excellent work this year. The evangelistic teachers number eighteen in all. The village day schools are under their care. They conduct school for five hours daily, and are responsible for the Sunday school in the village where each one resides. They also very often go to other villages to conduct service among the heathen. These gatherings have increased in numbers and baptisms are reported. The workers all gather together in one place monthly to submit their reports, talk over the different phases of the work, and to pray one for the other, thus strengthening each others hands. Our general itinerating, though difficult, is a decided success. To meet one's workers just where they live, is just what is needed. They are encouraged by our visits and they have a standing among

the heathen which they otherwise would not have. The villagers are learning to trust us. At the beginning of the year I had the opportunity of nursing a plague case, the person recovered, and this helped us to win their confidence. God is doing His work through us and being with us He must win.

Padra and Savali Circuits. Mrs. Frease reports that in these two circuits are found 1,731 christian people, of whom 815 are women and children in seventy-five villages. For this large number there are only 10 women workers, but small as the number is it is an increase over last year. Some 600 people are ready for baptism which will increase our responsibility and obligations. There are 79 Sunday schools and 39 day schools where 2,597 children and grown people attend the Sunday schools and 565 children the day schools. We rejoice in the arrival of Miss Turner for evangelistic work and Dr. Tuttle for both evangelistic and medical work.

Wasad Circuit, which has been assigned to Miss Turner contains 30 villages containing in all 800 Christian women. There are 8 evangelistic teachers, and the day schools, Sunday schools and prayer meetings are well attended. Miss Turner writes: "On one of our village trips last week the whole christian community came out to see us. Collectively they stayed close by during our entire stay, not excepting the time we were taking a nap and when we turned our faces homeward they ran after us for a long distance to speed us on our way and begged us to come very soon again, but how can we when there are so many people to visit and so few to do the work? We need for this circuit a number of Bible-women and more evangelistic teachers for new schools. My prayer is that God may so pour out His spirit upon us, may so completely take possessoin of us, that in the coming year we may be used mightily in the salvation of souls."

Hindustani Zenana Work. Mrs. Vardon has charge of this work and praises God for what He has done and prays for more laborers. From thirty-five to thirty-eight houses are on her list, and she could add more but does not deem it wise to take up work which she and her Bible-women cannot do. She writes: "We have had some very encouraging testimonies that the seed has not been sown in vain, and thank God specially for the assurance we had from two young women on their death-beds that Jesus was with them, and that they feared no evil.

CENTRAL PROVINCES DISTRICT. *Basim.* Miss Miller is thankful for the many mercies received since the beginning of the year for although an epidemic of whooping cough attacked about half the

girls in the school, all recovered except baby Susan who was too delicate to stand the strain. After school closed for vacation, a spirit of prayer came over the girls and all over the compound bands of girls in some secluded place of their own planning, could be heard praying and urging those who were unsaved to yield to Christ. This was their own plan, after an hour of prayer and entreaty by Miss Miller, who urged the girls to make the vacation a time of blessing to themselves and others. The compound seemed like a camp-ground for some weeks, and continued so until every girl had united with the praying bands and yielded to Christ. The school work is progressing, and the health of the girls is almost perfect. The Presiding Elder in visiting this school some months ago remarked that he had never seen healthier looking girls anywhere. Miss Miller who has the evangelistic work as well as the school work writes: "The work is intensely interesting. I did some itinerating last cold season and found the people respectful, attentive, and some hungry for the "Bread of Life." One of my faithful Bible-women is dying of consumption, which decreases the force. Many in Basim express their heart felt belief in Christ, but dare not take an open stand for Him.

KHANDWA. *Evangelistic Work.* In an unusual manner sickness has invaded the homes of the workers, interfering greatly with the teaching by the women, nor has the home of the missionary, Mrs. Martha Day Abbott been exempt, for her only son, a lovely boy of eleven months was very ill for several months, and then the angels carried him Home and the mother is left to carry on her work with an aching though not comfortless heart. Mrs. Abbott writes: "I trust these women have not failed in being lights in the heathen village where they dwell. Phuli, at Pandhana, and Hope, at Biror, have been working where there is much opposition to Christianity, but we believe their labor has not been in vain. Some one must prepare the way for the Gospel, and the task is not always easy. When Louisa was changed to another station I accompanied her on her last round of visits to the women. Some manifested no little concern regarding the coming of another teacher. One young woman who was learning to read and who had just begun one of the gospels followed us to the tonga weeping, begging us not to forsake her, but send another to teach her. We are constantly finding new reasons why the Gospel must be given to the women of this land.

Girls' Orphanage. Miss Elicker who is in charge of this school sends the following:

"The land for which we have been waiting for over a year is at last ours, and we hope by this time next year to have enough build-

ings up to transfer our school to our new quarters. We have had considerable illness among the girls but they are better at present. One of our griefs has been the death of one of our large girls who was about ready to go out into christian work. She was so well prepared for it that it was hard to give her up. We have been enabled to advance a class higher in our school work. We have had many changes and disappointments in our school staff, but are fairly well supplied now, all being christians but one. The girls are doing well in their school work. The Bible classes are making good progress. The Mission Band meetings are still continued and the girls are quite faithful in paying their dues."

JABALPUR. *Boarding School and Orphanage.* Miss Hyde who has had the charge of this institution for more than five years, returned to America in the Spring, and Miss Heafer was appointed by Bishop Thoburn to fill the position. Miss Heafer writes that the annual inspection was very encouraging. Fifty-two girls were passed into the fifth class, and nearly all the classes did well. A spirit of helpfulness seems to pervade the whole school. One of the teachers remarked some time ago, "It is really a pleasure to help these girls, they try so hard to be helpful." One of the most patient girls in sickness, who had been ill more or less for years, was called to her rest not long ago. A few days before her death she called for the superintendent and said, "I should love to get well so as to be a help to you and get ready for God's work, but it seems that it is not His will so I am going to Him." Thirty-seven were received into full membership in the church a few days ago.

Zenana Work. Miss Heafer writes that it was closed entirely for more than three months during the raging of the plague, and that in some places where the women had been working, whole families were carried off by the frightful disease. Many moved away and it has been a constant effort to get the work into shape again. Even now they have not half the number of pupils and listeners as there were at the end of the year, but it is God's work and He can and will take care of it.

NARSINGHPUR. No lady missionary has had charge this year, but Dr. Johnson reports that the work has been going on as usual. Mrs. Felt who has been in America for some time is expected early in October and will in all probability take up the work in this place.

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BENGAL CONFERENCE

Organized 1886.
Reorganized 1893.
Woman's Work Opened 1882.

MISSIONARIES

Asansol.
MIRIAM FORSTER.

Darjeeling.
EMMA L. KNOWLES. JULIA WISNER,
MARY V. MCKINLEY.

Calcutta.
ELIZABETH MAXEY. KATE A. BLAIR,
CARRIE SAMSON, JENNIE MOYER,
NAINETTE HENKLE, ROSA M. PYNE,
SUSANNA STUMPF.

Pakur.
ALMA JACOBSON.

MISSIONARIES WIVES IN CHARGE OF WORK

MRS F. W. WARNE, MRS. ADA LEE,
MRS. J. CULSHAW, MRS. J. P. MEIK,
MRS. W. P BYERS. MRS. M. B. DENNING,

CALCUTTA. *Kindergarten.* Miss Pyne reports that she has all the children that the undesirable hall will accommodate. There is a great lack of supplies and need of more helpers and a new building is a necessity. People crowd at the windows to watch the children at their games and songs. They cannot send them away from the only vision of purity and cheer that comes into their lives, but give them tracts and ask them to pass them on. Miss Pyne has paid for Kindergarten supplies from her private purse and pleads for a building.

Calcutta Girls' School. A cry for more room, more supplies, more appliances, more time for work comes from Miss Samson; she needs especially a piano and a Kindergarten Hall. The number of boarders in the girls' school reached 112 during the year. There has been no serious illness among these girls. Friends have given money for six cases of books which Miss Stoms who was one of the friends selected with great care.

Deaconess Home. Miss Maxey pleads for a building for an Anna Thoburn Deaconess Home. With all its years of honorable service, its deeds of mercy and kindness, with its many changes of place, six since its first opening, the Deaconess work surely deserves an abiding home, with the name of one whose faith and love founded it that January day in 1891.

The Calcutta Orphanage, under the care of Misses Campbell and Smith has but one need, more room. Some way their house full of girls is cared for without charge to our Society. These girls are not only learning books and sewing, but are reaching out a helping hand to others by making text cards for the sailors and scrap books for the Hospital. They carefully preserve all books and papers and send them to the Hospital and other needy places. One of these girls is the faithful President of the Junior League.

Hindustani Work. Miss Stumpf has taken hold of her new work with vigor. The two Bible-women under her care visit 65 homes where they meet large numbers of men, women and children, and tell them the story of redeeming love. A good day school and a Sunday school are connected with this work.

TAMLUK. Miss Moyer writes of a large attendance and a growing interest both in pupils and parents. Two day and three Sunday schools have been opened in nearby villages. The great lack of preachers and teachers greatly retards this work. Miss Blair continues her Bible work, visiting 60 families and reports an increase of interest and attendance. She hopes soon to be in her new home.

Darjeeling Girls' School. Miss Knowles writes hopefully of her work. Two years ago she had but 20 boarders, now she has 70. She reports a new building and the taking in of 20 small boys. These boys are in charge of Miss McKinley, in a separate building, although they recite and take their meals with the girls. Miss Wisner has oversight of the school, and does some teaching while Miss Knowles has general oversight of all the work inside and out. Great harmony has prevailed, the religious influence has been excellent, and several of the older girls have joined the church. A heavy debt still rests on the property.

MAZAFFARPUR. Indiana Conference assumed the support of the Mazaffarpur mission. The site purchased by Mr. Byers comprised 5 acres of land. On it was an excellent brick bungalow, a series of stables, a well, a number of large trees and a plentiful supply of grass. To put the mission in shape for work, required the remodeling of the stable into dormitories, the erection of store rooms and matrons' quarters, the building of a wall around the girls' quarters, and general making over of the premises. On September 19, a great meeting was held and the new buildings were opened.

Bishop Warne recently visited Mazaffarpur and was delighted with everything. A reception was given at the time of his visit when 22 were served to tea on the lawn and inspected the new

school premises. The little iron cots were spotless in new cotton sheets. At the head of each bed were two pegs, one for clothing, the other for a clean towel. At the foot of the beds of the larger girls were neat wooden boxes containing their personal belongings. There are now 34 girls in the school. It is difficult to get girls to come to a christian school, yet the work is growing.

ASANSOL. A visitor to Miss Forster's school says: "I found Miss Forster and her older girls a quarter of a mile from the house, and in the hot sunshine doing their weekly washing. They have no other place in which to bathe or wash their clothes. The bright faces and happy christian songs of these girls were in striking contrast to the sad lives from which christian love had rescued them. At one end of the dormitory which is in perfect order, is the sick room, where a sweet faced girl has found her proper place in her tender care of the sick. In an atmosphere of love these girls are trained for their life work as Bible Readers, teachers, and best of all perhaps, as wives of the christian young men who are trained in Mr. Byer's school.

PAKUR. Mrs. Meik writes that this has been a year of spiritual awakening. Several of the girls have been converted. Others are seeking the Saviour and striving after a better life. The new buildings are going up and will probably be ready for occupancy by January, 1904. The mental wear and tear of the work of building far away from supplies, with no professional supervision has been trying beyond words to express, but the joy of occupancy will compensate for all these vexations. A new era of usefulness is opening up for these faithful workers.

Miss Jacobson has done much visiting with her Bible-women and crowds listen to her message. The dispensary has helped the work much, as all who receive medical aid are ready to receive the gospel message.

BOLPUR. Mrs. Culshaw has 7 widows in training who are daily drinking in the precious truths of God's word that they in turn may give the water of Life to others.

Village Work. The Bible-women visit 26 villages near Bolpur. A new school was opened in one of these villages where 30 or 40 little girls are taught. A Sunday school has been opened by Rebecca the good Bible-woman, where 35 children are learning the way of truth. A native man offers his house free of rent for a day school at this place. Mr. and Mrs. Culshaw are practically the only missionaries in Bolpur, a district of nine hundred thousand people, and are doing most excellent work. The compound is a busy hive

of effective work, yet these workers find time to teach day schools and Sunday schools in the nearby villages.

MRS. CHARLOTTE O'NEAL, *Official Correspondent.*

BURMA MISSION CONFERENCE

Organized 1901.

Woman's Work Commenced 1881.

MISSIONARIES

Rangoon.

JOSEPHINE STAHL, EMMA STOCKWELL, GRACE STOCKWELL,
CARRIE FOSTER, LUELLA RIGBY.

Thandaung.

FANNIE A. PERKINS, CHARLOTTE J. ILLINGWORTH.

RANGOON. Misses Stahl and Foster have had a good year's work in the Girls' High School. There has been an increase of twenty-five per cent in numbers. The finances have improved so that they have been able to remodel and paint the home buildings on Lancaster Road. The spiritual tone of the school is excellent, teachers and scholars are working together for success. Their last new boarder is a fair haired blue eyed girl of ten, whose parents are both drunkards, and who was being left to run the streets. A European gentleman brought her to the school and is paying her fee.

Burmese Girls School. Miss Emma Stockwell has had two serious illnesses and Miss Grace Stockwell has had to bear most of the burden of this school. Miss Emma, while growing strong at Thandaung, has been getting a better command of the language. The work being done by the school is well illustrated by the following incident.

"At a meeting held at the English church two of the girls were baptized. Both were from Buddhist families, but both had the full consent of their parents. The youngest, a little girl of seven, looked so small as she stood before the alter that some thought she should receive infant baptism. As the services proceeded, her father came in and went to the front seat. After the services he said: "Now we are a divided family, my little daughter a Christian and we are Buddhists." Then he told how she had preached to him the last time he was at the school to see her. Among other things she said,

"Father you are on the wrong road, why do you worship idols? They can't see, they can't hear, they can't help you." He said, "I could not sleep all that night." He asked us to pray that they might become Christians. A little child shall lead them.

Miss Rigby brings glowing reports of white harvest fields. She speaks thus of a recent visit: "Armed with 500 Scripture portions, 100 small books, and 1000 tracts for free distribution, two Bible-women and myself went aboard a steam launch and started for Twante, a large village some twenty miles from Rangoon. Our work began at once for there were about 150 Burmans on board, and the journey furnished a good opportunity to reach them. Soon nearly all were reading our books. Then we sang and a number gathered around us. One old woman became so interested that she came and sat on the floor at my feet, took my hand and listened eagerly. Some one tauntingly called out to her, 'So you are going to follow them are you?' 'Yes,' she called back, 'I am going to follow.' On reaching Twante we spent our mornings in selling Scriptures in the homes and bazaar, our afternoons in preparation and the evenings in meetings. The meetings were well attended. There were three baptisms. Eagerness to purchase the Scriptures is everywhere manifest."

THANDAUNG. Miss Illingworth who had had charge of the Industrial School and Orphanage during the absence of Miss Perkins in America, was able to hand things over in excellent condition. The attendance is increased, the finances are improved, the girls and boys are all taking an active interest in the work of the home and school, the Epworth League is flourishing. It is fully officered by the girls and boys. The devotional meeting on Thursday evening gives an excellent opportunity for public prayer and testimony. Regular school work in nine grades is carried on. There are now forty-eight children, from two to eighteen years old. The gift of a Majestic range with Pressure boiler, has lessened greatly the work in kitchen and laundry. Miss Perkins took her first lessons in pipe fitting and plumbing, and they now have hot and cold water laid on in kitchen, pantry and laundry.

MRS. CHARLOTTE O'NEAL, *Official Correspondent.*

MALAYSIA

Including Philippine Islands.

Organized as a Mission 1887.
As a Mission Conference 1893.

MISSIONARIES

Singapore.

SOPHIE BLACKMORE,
EDITH HEMINGWAY,
MARY D. LILLY.

Kuala Lumpur.

MRS. MARY C. MEEK,
R. LUELLA ANDERSON.

Penang.

*CLARA MARTIN,
MARY E. OLSON.

Taipeng.

C. ETHEL JACKSON.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES

Penang.

MRS. G. F. PYKETT.

Ipoh.

MRS. H. L. E. LEURING.

Manila.

DEACONESS HOME AND TRAINING SCHOOL, WINIFRED SPAULDING.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES

MRS. HOMER C. STUNTZ,
MRS. CHENOWETH,
MRS. J. L. MCLAUGHLIN,
MRS. BROWN,
MRS. LYONS,
MRS. MCCARL,
MRS. RADER.

*Home on leave.

Of this wonderful work in the Malay Peninsula and vicinity, Bishop Warne writes: "This is one of the coming countries of this great earth. On the Asian Archipelago there is room for two hundred millions of people, and they are coming. Jaffua alone has a coast line of nine hundred miles, without a missionary of any denomination. Borneo, it is said is the largest island in the world except Australia, and is yet undeveloped."

The Methodist Church has organized a class of probationers and appointed leaders from among the Chinese Christians who have recently formed a colony in Borneo. A missionary has been appointed to develop the field. Soon they will be asking for a Woman's Foreign Missionary Society worker to come and train their women and children.

SINGAPORE. With its wonderful opportunities for development, there has been no increase in the working force of our missionaries here. The pleading, importunate begging letters for reinforcements have remained unheeded because it is impossible to respond to them. The need is so great and the workers so few. Are we praying as earnestly as we ought?

Miss Blackmore has had almost superhuman strength given her for carrying the work in all departments of service, and lending a hand here, there and everywhere and keeping the wheels of the machinery oiled with love, patience and enduranec. She is a tower of strength in all the conference. She has been rewarded in seeing the work grow, the church strengthened, the girls developing into efficient helpers, and many converted.

There are sixty-three girls in the Boarding school. One of the most helpful English girls returned to England in the year which has weakened the working force, yet the work goes on encouragingly.

The Epworth League is very helpful to the girls.

Miss Lilly returned to Singapore in May and was royally welcomed by all the workers in the mission. She shortened her vacation in order to relieve the overworked and overtaxed missionaries.

The Bible training school has had a beginning, and much good is expected to come to the work in the training and development of the natives as Bible-women. Scores could be employed most successfully if we had them trained for their work.

It is with sorrow that we have to report the fact that Miss Cody, our most efficient and successful Kindergartner, and who has been in charge of the Methodist Girls' school in Singapore, has broken in health, and her physician ordered her return home at once. We pray that in the midst of the loving home circle and exhilarating atmosphere of northern Ohio, she may be speedily restored to health.

There is no one to carry on her Training class. The Eurasian and native teachers carry on the kindergarten. We need another Kindergartner at once.

TELUK AYER in the midst of the Chinese population in Singapore has been greatly hindered in its efficiency because it has no local habitation. They have been compelled to move twice in six months and in their present rooms may be given notice to vacate any day. A school building is greatly needed so that a permanent work can be established. Miss Hemingway is embarrassed in her school work for lack of funds to hire teachers for advanced classes. There are 100 children enrolled. Dr. West writes: "If we can win Teluk Ayer for Christ we have won Singapore, we have made our Anglo-Chinese schools Christian, we have conquered Malaysia as far as the Chinese are concerned, for it is to Teluk Ayer that we turn to find the business men of Malaysia, it is to Teluk Ayer that we turn to find the representative homes of Malaysia, it is to Teluk Ayer that the great stream of immigration first comes, and from

there scatters to the labor fields of Malaysia." Let us rally to the support of this very needy work in this important center and give an increased appropriation for teachers and provide a suitable school building. Miss Hemingway writes: "In addition to my school work I have been editing a four page monthly Zenana paper published in Malay. I have translated the material for five numbers, which means much time and thought, but it is an enjoyable work and a privilege to be able to reach so many women in their homes with the Gospel story."

KUALA LUMPUR. Mrs. Meek gives a most interesting account of the growth and development of the children in this school, in their christian character as well as mental acquirements. She says: "We have a Sunday school of forty, which meets at 8 A. M. At 10.30 A. M. every Sunday morning I am in the Chinese congregation. I do not understand Chinese, but I play the organ and lead the singing and after the service speak to the women in Malay. The Government has officially given over to us the school property, with permission to build a boarding school for all nationalities. The Government will give half the cost of the building, provided the mission will raise the first half. A Boarding school building will cost about $8,000—silver. The Government will pay half and the English friends of the school will raise $2,000, and it will only require $1,000 gold from the Society at home to give us a fine substantial building which is very much needed.

Miss Anderson who has charge of the musical and evangelistic work writes in a cheering way of the advancement of her pupils and the conversion of some of the children. She says: "Never has the outlook seemed more encouraging. The schools are growing in numbers and interest, and since Bishop Warne's visit a decided advancement has been made in the spiritual life of the church. Music is much appreciated here in this rapidly growing city and capital of the Federated States. We are convinced it can be made a strong branch of our work. In fact music has done much in brightening the lives of the children and in cultivating heart and mind.

"In the evangelistic work we have one Tamil Bible-woman who is a faithful worker, going out daily, reading and selling portions of scripture. We cannot refrain from speaking of the value of the Epworth League to our work in this distant corner of the world. When first spoken of, it was thought by some to be impracticable, but a trial of a systematically organized League among Tamil children and adults has proved that Methodist methods are adjust-

able to all nations and conditions. Our Epworth League has thirty members enrolled.

During Bishop Warne's visit here children's meetings were held and several of our largest boys were converted. These children are reading the Junior League reading course books, and the Epworth Herald. Their weekly prayer meeting is conducted by one of their own number. We feel that God's approval is upon this work of training the young for future intelligent work in His Vineyard."

PENANG. Our hearts are aching over the serious illness of Miss Ellis, who was in charge of the work after Miss Martin came home, after an absence of six years. Miss Jackson has been a sister true and faithful and nursed her carefully until, by order of the physician she was able to start to the homeland. Our prayers are constant for her restoration to health. In the loving home circle, in the midst of friends we hope she may soon recover her lost strength and vitality.

The Minneapolis Branch has sent Miss M. E. Olson, a Minnesota girl and a graduate from Hamline University, to take up the work. She sailed for Penang in August.

Miss Martin requests that her vacation be shortened that she may return to Penang in the early spring.

The full amount necessary to finish the C. S. Winchell Home has been sent to the Treasurer by the Minneapolis Branch.

The Alexandria Home for destitute women is a very substantial and commodious building. Mrs. Pykett has worked most earnestly and faithfully in securing funds to complete the home. It is almost paid for by local funds. Mrs. Pykett says: "The way God has led us in this work seems marvelous. I can hardly realize we have the building we have so urgently needed these four and a half years. We praise God for it. There is an Orphanage in connection with Mrs. Pykett's work with nine children under instruction. A memorial has been forwarded to the General Executive meeting asking that this important work be adopted as a child of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

TAIPENG. Miss Jackson writes: "I have begun the study of Chinese and am beginning to feel a little at ease with the tones. On Easter I organized a Bible class of Chinese young men who read English. We have six enrolled. Our Sunday school is a problem, as not many come regularly. The day school goes on as usual. In March three children came from the convent school. Since then one of our girls who was a catholic has left us and gone to the convent. Three Singhalese children have also come to us."

There are Malays, Tamils, Chinese, Singhalese and Eurasians all in this school. The Roman Catholics are pushing their work most persistently and relentlessly. They are equipped with a full corps of workers and seem to have all the money they need to prosecute their methods of work. If we as Protestants could have full supplies both of workers and money, how soon we might capture the nations of the earth.

Miss Jackson ought to have an associate worker. She would rejoice to go into the evangelistic work and visit in the homes of the women and a new missionary could carry on the school work. Let us reinforce our lone missionaries and double our forces on the field.

The Sanitarium which was sorely needed has been purchased and this summer our tired missionaries from the Plains have gone for their needed rest to this delightful retreat in the Larut hills.

IPOH. Mrs. Leuring writes: "Our school has an average attendance of 26. The possibilities are very great, but I have not the time or strength to give to it. Mr. Leuring has built a Deaconess Home during the year. Surely the Conference should send us a Deaconess to give her whole time to the work."

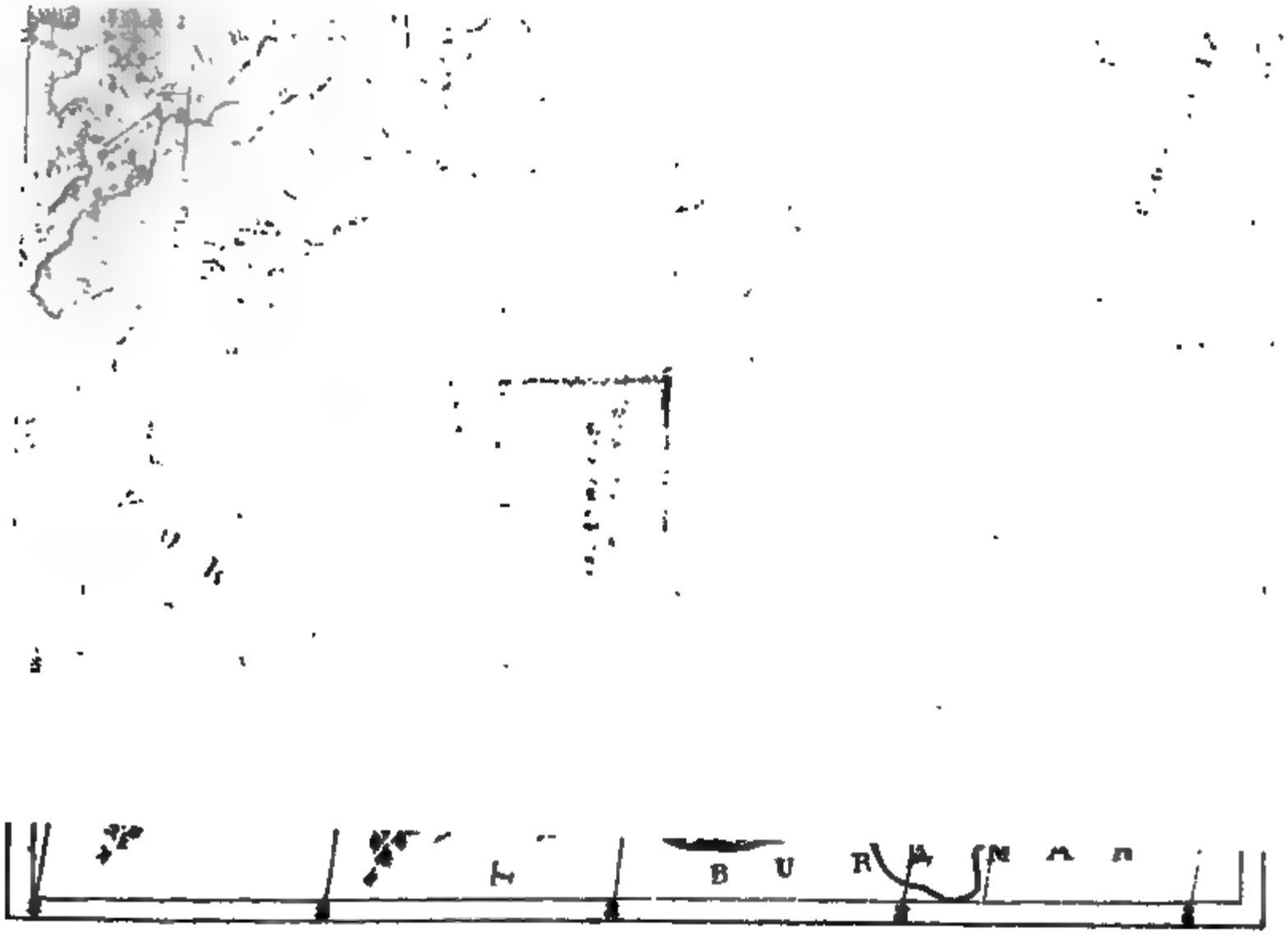
The needs of the Malaysia Conference are four new missionaries, the half expense of a Boarding school at Kuala Lumpor, a new plain, substantial school building at Teluk Ayer in the densely populated Chinese quarters of Singapore and a Deaconess for Ipoh.

PHILIPPINES. This new mission field is full of glowing possibilities. Our Topeka Branch sisters are the pioneers in this great harvest field, having sent out the first Deaconess, Miss Winifred Spaulding to open a Training school for native workers. In the Philippines, Deaconess means Pastora or shepherdess.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society did not make a mistake in the purchase of the Home in Manila. It is a roomy, airy, well built house, with six bedrooms, a reception room, dining room and kitchen with other conveniences. Much of the furniture is also there.

Miss Spaulding is enthusiastic over the country, the people and the opportunities. She has secured the first pupils for the Training School.

Dr. Stuntz advises the employment of an English lady, Miss Parks, who has been in the employ of the Bible society, but desires to enter the evangelistic work. She is deeply spiritual, knows the languages, is well educated, and Dr. Stuntz thinks it would put our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work a year in advance to employ her at once. The Pacific Branch has assumed the support of Miss Parks.

Dr. Stuntz is proving the right man at this critical time in many ways, but especially in the prompt and vigorous manner in which he has taken hold of the opium traffic question. Dr. Stuntz and his co-workers need our sympathies, our prayers and funds to re-inforce the work.

MRS. I. W. JOYCE, *Official Correspondent.*

CHINA

FOOCHOW CONFERENCE

Organized as a Conference 1877.

Woman's Work Commenced by Baltimore Ladies' China Missionary Society 1858.

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society Commenced Work 1871.

MISSIONARIES

Foochow.

CARRIE I. JEWELL,
ELLEN LYON, M. D.
*JENNIE ADAMS,
JULIA A. BONAFIELD,
HU KING ENG, M. D.
*PHŒBE A. PARKINSON,
MRS. SUSAN TIPPET,
LYDIA A. WILKINSON,
FLORENCE PLUMB,
PHŒEBE WELLS,
MRS. E. A. STEPHENSON.

Ming Chiang.

MAY E. CARLETON, M. D.,
MARY PETERS,
ISABELLA LONGSTREET.

Ku Cheng.

WILMA H. ROUSE,
GRACE B. TRAVIS,
*E. MARGUERITE GLENK.

Hok Chiang.

*LYDIA A. TRIMBLE,
LUELLA MASTERS, M. D.
MABEL ALLEN,
MABEL SIA.

Iong Bing.

MABEL C. HARTFORD,
ALICE LINAM.

MINISTERS' WIVES IN CHARGE OF WORK

MRS. HATTIE C. WILCOX,
MRS. WORLEY.

*Home on leave.

FOOCHOW. *Girls' Boarding School.* Misses Bonafield and Plumb report: It was a real joy to take up our work with the new

strength and the new ideas which a year in the homeland for one of us and a summer in Japan for the other, had given us.

One hundred and thirty girls have been in attendance and no serious illness has occurred. Just before the Chinese New Year a class of nine nice girls graduated. Five of them remain in the school as teachers, one in the Seminary as student, and another has gone to Iong Bing and is teaching in Miss Hartford's boarding school.

The larger number of the new girls are over twelve years of age and have come from the day school; any entering under that age must pay a nominal fee for board.

The special events of the year were the celebration of the forty-third anniversary of the school, Christmas, week of prayer and Easter.

Since 1888 fifty-four girls have been graduated and thirty of them, all engaged in christian work, were present at the anniversary. One member from each class reported for her class.

The Christmas celebration was held in the church, with an attendance of eight hundred. The program was prepared for heathen women and girls, who were noisy and not very attentive, but they did learn that the christians were celebrating the birth of the Saviour of the world. The week of prayer resulted in the quickening of the spiritual life of many of the christian girls and in marked conversions. Ten of the older girls are class leaders, and each worked especially for her own class, and none were more blessed than the class leaders.

At Easter the students of the three Missions having work in Foochow met in our largest church to sing Easter anthems. It must have been an inspiring sight to see over one thousand boys and girls lifted from heathenism singing the praises of Him who was crucified for their sins and rose again for their justification. Some who were present could remember when there was not a christian in that part of China. They looked, listened, reflected and said, "What hath God wrought." Thirty of the girls have, by lace-making, contributed $60.00 to the school fund. There are fourteen day schools in the District, the most of them doing splendid work.

Mary E. Crook Memorial Orphanage. That she might give closer supervision to the children, Mrs. Tippet had a room made for herself on the upper floor of the school building, where she spends the days.

She has had thirty-one orphans in the orphanage and some boarders, mothers having learned that babies have better care there than they can give them. There has been but one death, the Valentine baby, sent down with two others by Miss Rouse. The kindergarten and primary school have been crowded, and "No" has been repeated many times to those who wished to attend.

Industrial Work inaugurated by Miss Bonafield and followed up and expanded by Miss Adams, was put under Miss Wilkinson's care upon the return home of Miss Adams. Two hundred and fifty women are being helped through this agency to their daily bread, while religious instruction is given two afternoons of the week and in Sunday school.

Bible-Women. Eight Bible-women are reported. Miss Wells says that as a rule they are brave and often more persevering than the native preacher. They exhibit wonderful tact in adapting themselves to circumstances and in overcoming the prejudice of the people. Miss Wells suffered from a form of low fever in the spring that interfered with her work and caused anxiety to her friends. We are glad to report her much improved.

Island Hospital. The latest report from Dr. Lyon, who is in charge of the Liang-au, or Island Hospital, was sent July 29th, and is without statistics, giving only a general account of the work. She says it has gone on much as in other years. Some one wrote to her, "What a blessing the Hospital is! If nothing else is done, so many get baths and they must remember forever the good feeling it gave them."

"But," says Dr. Lyon, "some die and then, of course, it was the bath that killed them." So afraid are they of going into the next world minus a limb that they will die rather than submit to an amputation. She cites two cases of death, one from bound feet that she felt sure amputation would have saved. Some of the time, veranda and halls have been filled with patients.

Woolston Memorial Hospital. Dr. Hu King Eng in charge writes: "Here we are, still in the same old little hospital in the walled city. How much longer shall we live in it? The ordinary reasons for not building a hospital are mostly due either to want of money or a good site on which to build, but we have both. Moreover, many of my Chinese people know and say that it is a great blessing to them to have the hospital, and yet we wait. You ask what is the hindrance then? It is the obstructiveness of certain officials who do not want a *foreign* building put upon the ground we have bought."

She asks prayer of those who are supporting the work that God will guide and show them the best way to proceed.

On account of her mother's prolonged illness, and having many patients outside the city, and the city gates being closed at night, she was obliged to spend many of the nights at home. Her going back and forth so frequently through the Chinese streets caused her friends much anxiety, but she was graciously preserved from harm. This has

been her fifth year in city work, and she recalls pathetically her shrinking from it, havng been told the city people were proud and hard to manage. She says if God never helped any other person by the story of Lot, He certainly helped her by it, and she went to the city because she didn't want to be like Lot. As she bade goodbye to the students in the Island Hospital she said "they wiped away their tears as hard as they could," and when she met the students in the City Hospital they were like "laughing Buddhas," for their term in the little old hospital had expired. She relates a number of incidents of cure resulting in destruction of faith in the idols, and frank and open testimony to the excellence of the foreign hospital, the purity of the Doctrine and the acceptance of Christ. She writes sadly of the death of one of her students, who had been with her three years, and to whom when sick her heathen people gave a kind of pill made of thirty vile things, among them buffalo flies.

She reports: Fees, $820.64; thank-offering (Mrs. Plumb), $10.00; total receipts, $830.64. Hospital in-patients, 902; attendance, 370; dispensary patients, 12,929; patients in homes, 1,080; total prescriptions written and filled, 15,509.

MING CHIANG. Miss Peters has had a very busy and a very blessed year. As many women as could be accommodated were received into the Woman's Training School, and a number well trained have joined the "field hands."

Day Schools. Examining the schools, Miss Peters found a number of the girls who had finished the two years' course of study and were ready to enter the Boarding School. Death has removed some of the most effective Bible-women. Much time has had to be given to overseeing the building of the school.

Medical Work. Dr. Carleton says medical work has had to be secondary to the constant supervision of the building of each section of the Hospital. She was obliged to dismiss her matron, as she had become a chronic invalid through grief over the death of a son. She has secured as teacher a man who has had some training in the Community Hospital under an English physician. He has an exhorter's license and is ready to assist her in any undertaking. She has had three students, and has secured as assistant a graduate from the Foochow Hospital. She hopes with her to resume her itinerating trips.

It is difficult to give regular religious instruction in the Dispensary, as the Chinese do not observe the hours, but they gladly receive portions of scripture in tract form. She has not had many in-patients on account of poor accommodations, receiving only such as would not be

turned away. There has been a decided increase in number of calls to outside patients. Dispensary patients, 3,298; Hospital patients, 12; visits paid, 345.

HOK CHIANG. *The Girls' Boarding School*, in charge of Miss Allen, has had an attendance of 59. Mabel Sia returned from America in time for the spring term, and her teaching in this school and in the Woman's Training School has been a great help to the girls and women. Seven graduated, all going into religious work, five remaining as teachers. All take an interest in Epworth League, Sunday school and class meeting. Twenty-three women have been in the Woman's Training School the past term. Four graduated and are now Bible-women.

The Romanized School is doing good work in preparing women for the Training School and teaching christian women to read. Total attendance for the year, 18.

Bible-Women. Seventeen have been at work during the year, and are well reported by the presiding elders. They have been instrumental in the unbinding of many feet, and have taught the women to walk in the way that leads to life everlasting.

Day Schools. Sixteen have been in operation this year; some of the women attend at night, as they cannot leave home through the day.

Miss Allen, feeling that she could not carry the work on in three districts, closed the Hai Tang Woman's School till Miss Trimble's return, when it will be opened again. Thirteen Bible-women are at work on this Island District, all doing good work. Eleven day schools are now in session and other places are asking for schools. Miss Allen has replied to the call from Duai Dieng by sending them a teacher, and hopes someone will send the requisite $30.00.

During Chinese New Year the Bible-women and teachers came together for study, and hearing of the work of the Missionary Society at home, were much impressed with the amount of money raised, and of their own accord contributed one-fourth of their month's salary and sent the amount to Khandwa to support a girl there.

Medical Work. Dr. Masters writes: Notwithstanding the heavy rain during the spring, it was not sufficient to increase the water supply in our wells, so we have not been able to reopen the wards. The Hospital has been closed since April 1, 1902, and we have no hope or prospect of reopening until we get water. As in former years we have had regular hours each day, Sundays excepted, to examine and prescribe for cases that come to us. We have successfully performed several surgical operations, among them removal of

cataract, and what a joy it has been to give sight to the blind. Some of these cases were over eighty years of age.

Dispensary patients, 327; prescriptions filled, 606; visits paid patients in their homes, 42; patients in school, 48; total number of patients seen, 483.

KU CHENG DISTRICT. Miss Rouse says of the Woman's School, Romanized School and Girls' Boarding School, that they have all been full and never in the history of the work has there been so much illness. Matron, teachers, pupils, all sick at once. Miss Rouse kept well until vacation and then had remittent fever. Three babies left at her gate were sent down to the Foochow Orphanage. Eighty girls in the Girls' School and twenty in each of the two Woman's Schools, with no foreigner to help, have kept her busy. Miss Glenk's return home has left the day schools and Bible-women without a superintendent, and she could give them but little attention.

The deaf and dumb department has six little mutes, all learning quickly.

YENPING DISTRICT, *South.* Miss Hartford in charge of Girls' Boarding School, Day Schools and Bible-women's work. It would require a red-hot pen and more time and space than I am allowed to report adequately the experiences and work of Miss Hartford. She has straightened tangles, won the goodwill of magistrates, nursed the sick, buried the dead, suffered from hunger and cold on evangelistic trips, beside caring conscientiously for the work to which she was appointed. A sister missionary says, "I have known many unselfish, sympathetic women, but never her equal. Spend and be spent is inwoven in every fibre of her being." She reports all the work in prosperous condition. *North.* Miss Linam says: There are fifteen women in the Training School. One of the pupils takes the Sunday services when the preacher is away, and all the older pupils spend one afternoon of the week visiting in the homes. Every preacher on the district is asking for a Bible-woman, and we have only two on the entire district. Consequently Miss Linam has spent a good deal of time on the different circuits, with good results. There are but two day schools in the district, four Epworth Leagues and three Junior Leagues. One of the Junior Leagues paid $10.00 on the preacher's salary and $5.00 to missions.

MRS. E. B. STEVENS, *Official Correspondent.*

HING HUA CONFERENCE

Organized as a Conference 1896.

MISSIONARIES

Hing Hua.	*Sieng Iu.*	*Ing Chung.*
MINNIE E. WILSON,	MARTHA LEBEUS,	ALTHEA M. TODD,
*ELIZABETH W. VARNEY,	MARTHA NICOLAISEN,	JESSIE A. MARRIOTT.

*Home on leave.

Yet again attention is called to the sore need of a larger force of missionaries for this field. Each of the three centers occupied suffers, while the brave workers endeavor, to the point of impaired health, to operate the various agencies necessary to the uplifting of the multitudes about them.

HING HUA. Miss Varney's home-coming leaves only Miss Wilson and Miss Westcott for the Girls' Boarding School, the Woman's Training School, twenty-one day schools and evangelistic work throughout two districts. In Sieng Iu the illness of Miss Nicolaisen puts upon Miss Lebeus all the varied interests of that district, while in the great districts of Ing Chung and Toa Chhan Misses Todd and Marriott are unable to spare from the city schools and other work the necessary time to superintend properly their Bible-women in the distant villages. Five new missionaries at least are immediately and imperatively needed.

Five girls were graduated in the spring from the Hamilton Girls' School in Hing Hua. Of these four are employed as teachers and one is giving very efficient service in the Western district.

Mrs. Guthrie has assisted in the Bible Training School, which numbers twenty-eight pupils. She says, "It is encouragng to see the marked difference in the women who have just come in and those who have been with us longer. Our greatest need is a foreigner who can give all her time to this work."

Romanized Chinese is taught. The new pupils begin with a Romanized primer and then go on to the gospels, while the more advanced take up the Old Testament and writing. When sufficiently advanced they spend the summer vacations in village evangelistic work.

Evangelistic Work. Miss Wilson writes of this: "Some work opened in the past year is most promising. I visited one church where we have a Bible-woman who gives half her time to that work and teaches girls and women in a night school. There have been christians in that village only eight months, but many whole families have become probationers. I was the first foreign woman to visit them, so

expected many of the inevitable questions in China concerning parents, a foreign land, myself, etc., but very few were asked. The women and girls gathered around me and said, 'We are only just learning the Gospel; won't you teach us more?' That evening over sixty men and women crowded into the room, and there was the best of order, even from those who have not identified themselves with this cause. Their one aim seems to be to repent and become followers of Jesus Christ. This is only one of many villages calling for the Gospel."

SIENG IU. Miss Lebeus returned from her furlough to find Miss Nicolaisen much worn by the heavy duties performed alone during her absence. The Woman's School numbers twenty-six, besides thirteen babies; the Isabel Hart Girls' School, called in Chinese "Do-deh," which is interpreted "virtuous actions because of the Doctrine," numbers thirty-one—Bible-women, ten; day schools, seven. The tabulated report of the year's work of the Bible-women of this district shows that over 14,000 persons were taught to repeat the Lord's prayer, or the Ten Commandments, or to read Romanized Chinese.

Miss Nicolaisen says as to progress: "We have a better quality of church members, and in respect to collections our poor, frugal Chinese are way above the home church. In many instances one-tenth is the least they give, but the self-denial of these people can be understood only by those who know how little they spend upon themselves. To judge by the contributions which they make out of great poverty our people value their religion and are anxious that it may be proclaimed to others. A number of women have unbound their feet. It means a great deal to these sisters of ours to take this step, to be willing to endure the severe pain which follows the removal of the tight bandages, as well as the ridicule or persecution of their own relations and neighbors. We therefore rejoice when the grace of God is thus manifested in them. I heard lately of an old woman who unbound her feet upon her death bed, because, said she, 'I am afraid to thus appear before God!'"

ING CHUNG. Miss Todd writes from the city of Tek Hoe: "The Carrie R. Donnell Memorial Woman's School has been more than full, as it is planned for only thirty-two women and babies. This year it has had to be stretched to accommodate women, babies, girls and ourselves. We have waited and prayed for the money to build the Girls' School, but it has not yet appeared. Will not some one take pity on us? Many new students have come in. We have been especially fortunate in getting children about nine years of age. These have taken hold of

the work and lessons and have greatly enjoyed the religious meetings. It was very sweet to hear one of them lead their little prayer meeting.

The last few weeks of school were the best of the year. We held special meetings, first with the teachers, then with the older students, and finally with the entire school. Two girls who had been particularly naughty were greatly changed before they left.

We are thankful that God has sent us a native helper, Chrysanthemum by name, a graduate from the Hing Hua Girls' School, to take the place of the Bible-woman who died. This girl has been equal to every emergency always putting others first and self last.

The Toa Chhan District has been neglected because we cannot be in two places at once. While there are only Miss Marriott and myself we cannot make a success of both districts. We have been able to take but one trip over the Ing Chung District during the year. The cost of traveling is great, and then we must leave home for a month at least if we go to the farthest place. How is the evangelistic work to be done? How are the women of these two districts to be taught? In most of the churches only the men of the family attend the services, sometimes because the distance is so great, and sometimes because the men think the women unimportant. We are looking to America and for the time when a new worker shall be sent and we can go to the women who might accept the Gospel if they had a chance to hear. Will you pray for the Bible-women who are in training and for those who are working? Pray and work too for the saving of this million of souls who are now without God."

MRS. A. N. FISHER, *Official Correspondent.*

NORTH CHINA

Woman's Work Organized 1871.
Conference Organized 1893.

MISSIONARIES

Peking.

MRS. CHARLOTTE M. JEWELL, EFFIE G. YOUNG,
GERTRUDE GILMAN, FRANCES O. WILSON,
ANNA D. GLOSS, M. D.

Tientsin.

LIZZIE E. MARTIN, M. IDA STEVENSON, M.D.
EMMA E. MARTIN, M. D.

Ch 'ang Li.

ELLA E. GLOVER, EDNA G. TERRY, M. D.

Shan Tung.

ANNA E. STERRE, RACHEL R. BENN, M. D.

PEKING. Mrs. Jewell has been the sole representative of our W. F. M. S. in this city the past year. She writes: "Reconstruction has been a very prominent feature of the work. The Home and Boarding School are nearing completion. We expect to open school in the new buildings Oct. 15th. The building is all nicely done, thanks to good Dr. Hopkins and the very best native contractor that I have ever had the good fortune to know. I am grateful every day for the good Providence that gave us Dr. Hopkins to direct this building. He is one of the rare men who can do almost anything and do it well. He undertook our buildings when he had a mammoth amount of other work on hand, but notwithstanding, nothing in any detail has escaped his careful direction and oversight. The W. F. M. S. owes him a deep debt of gratitude."

A class of women has been under Mrs. Jewell's instruction since last December. Two of these will probably be able to do Bible-women's work the coming year, and one or two more in another year. There seems to be a great improvement in the appearance of the women of the Sunday congregation over that of former years. They are tidy looking women and children who set an example of good behavior before the heathen women, whom they often bring or who come of their own accord. There have been two day schools in Peking the past year, in one of which there has been a regular attendance and the children have done good work. A half dozen of them are ready to enter the Boarding School. A woman's prayer meeting is held every Saturday afternoon and the Peking Auxiliary of the W. F. M. S., affiliated

with New England Branch, meets once a month. That its members are alive and interested may be inferred from their generous contributions, one giving one-sixth of her earnings and another five cents a month. The woman's medical work has been carried on under several disadvantages this year. Indeed, this work and the evangelistic work which accompanies it, would have lapsed altogether had not Mrs. Headland generously come to the rescue. She reports that our temporary dispensary is situated in a very objectionable quarter, making it very uncomfortable for both patients and assistants. The rooms in use are cramped and inconvenient, and if the number of patients were large it would be impossible to accommodate them. Mrs. Chou, the widow of the martyred pastor, Chou Hsüehshen, has been Mrs. Headland's dispensary assistant, and gives promise of becoming a valuable helper.

Mrs. Headland closes her report as follows: "I cannot close without grateful acknowledgements to Mrs. Conger for the gracious way in which she has received and entered into social life with many of our lady patients, who, knowing that she was a favorite of the Empress Dowager, were anxious to meet and become acquainted with her. She has shown herself in every instance a genuine christian and I feel like saying a real missionary."

Mrs. Phoebe Li is the dispensary evangelist, who has proved a most valuable adjunct to the medical work, being present every day while the patients are waiting their turns talking to or becoming acquainted with them, and is often found in the homes of the sick of the neighborhood, lightening their burdens, not only with her hand but with her cheerful, helpful spirit as well.

Miss Young reports for the combined schools Peking, Tientsin, and Tsun Hua, still held in Tientsin, as follows: "The past year has not been marked by any stirring events, but for the peace and quiet that have reigned we thank our Heavenly Father. We had hoped to be able to move to Peking this year, but as the buildings were not completed, we were obliged to stay in the crowded quarters in Tientsin. We have been crowded to our utmost capacity, the total enrollment being 157. Three of the girls who graduated last year have done excellent work as teachers. The two elderly men who assisted last year have also been with us, one giving his time to teaching the Chinese classics and the character, and the other giving more valuable service in teaching general history, church history and composition. Two of our number have left the school for the home above. Christmas was an especially happy time. The boxes sent by loving friends at home furnished gifts for all. Miss Croucher carried on the industrial work

and Dr. Martin has had her school clinic each day. Although there have been no special revival services this year, the girls have not been going backward in their christian lives. Eight have been baptized, four taken in on probation, and two others have joined in full."

Miss Croucher returned in May last and has since married.

Mrs. Jewell writes: "I feel that during the past two and a half years the school girls, in common with many of the other native christians, have been passing through deep waters. When the storm of persecution was raging and death was imminent their faith was unconquerable. During my two weeks stay with the girls, I listened to their testimonies, and I felt that there had been times when they knew something of Elijah's juniper tree experience. Then as I listened to their prayers and renewed consecration I knew that God was dealing with them as He did with Elijah—very compassionately, strengthening them with food from His own storehouse."

TIENTSIN. In West City Miss Lizzie Martin has been doing evangelistic work. She found twelve or fifteen women who were already church members and who have been faithful in attendance upon the services all winter. As the chapel was destroyed in the Boxer uprising, the services are conducted in a dwelling house, which serves also as city dispensary. Dr. Emma Martin attends to the medical work in this city and reports that there has been much to be thankful for and to encourage in the year's record. The number of in-patients in the French concession has been less than last year, showing that our location here is growing less desirable to the Chinese, but the work at the West Gate among the heathen is much more than it was last year.

A good many patients this year have come from a distance, which is quite encouraging, for since the late trouble few have dared to venture so far away.

TSUN HUA. At the last conference Dr. Terry and Miss Glover were appointed to this field of work, but later in the year it was decided not to rebuild at Tsun Hua. Accordingly, these two workers have made evangelistic tours throughout the Districts of Tsun Hua, Lan Chou and Shan Hai Kuan. In some places the heathen were still afraid of the foreigners, while in others crowds followed from house to house listening when their curiosity was satisfied.

Last February Miss Glover went to An Ko Chuang to hold a station class. Fourteen women and six girls have done more or less studying, and the eight women and five girls who stayed to the close of the three months have done good work. Two girls and one woman unbound their feet and others are planning to follow their example.

In January last a day school was opened at Pai Tao Tzu, one of the Peking school girls being put in as teacher. Fourteen girls have registered and eleven has been the usual attendance.

Dr. Terry gives an interesting account of her trip through these Districts, and writes: "The spiritual results of our itinerary work may be as hard to tabulate as the medical, yet I am more and more convinced that going from place to place is the way to reach both the bodies and the souls of the great mass of the people. Many would never hear the Gospel but for the opportunity thus offered. I must speak of the faithful work done by one Bible-woman. Much of the talking to the heathen must be done by her, as the doctor's busy time comes when the medicine box is opened. As an encouragement to ourselves and an example to others, I want specially to mention the collection given to our W. F. M. S. by the women alone on the Lan Chou District. Their collection of thirteen Mexican dollars, about five and a half dollars gold, was handed to me with pardonable pride by the native presiding elder, showing that he as well as the preachers under him appreciated the work of the W. F. M. S.

The number of villages and towns visited during the year is 67, and the number of prescriptions given 1880."

Bishop Moore writes: "After careful consideration, covering all features of the situation, it has been decided to maintain a strong native station at Tsun Hua and build the hospitals, schools, etc., at Ch'ang Li, on the railroad between Lan Chou and Shan Hai Kuan." The building is already begun and it is hoped that ere long Dr. Terry and Miss Glover will be located in this place to which they are appointed.

SHANTUNG. Miss Steere returned to this place last fall to find that many Society and personal belongings had disappeared, so that it took some time to make the Chinese buildings habitable. The Boarding School was opened in December. During the year the girls have done excellent work, their studies covering the course from primary to high school. The accommodations have been poor, fourteen sleeping in one room and that not a large one. More property has been secured, so there will be better accommodations another year. Two small day schools have been started, but being new have nothing special to report.

Dr. Benn, in charge of the medical work here, says: "The future holds large promise for our work in Shantung. When the W. F. M. S. gets the land necessary for the various buildings, and the buildings on the land and the pupils and patients in these buildings, and a foreign house for us to live in, with the north windows and veranda giving us

the beauties of old T'ai Shan, she will have great reason to be proud and rejoice over her Shantung station."

She further pays a beautiful tribute to Mrs. Wang: "Both in the daily work at the dispensary and on the country trip we took together, and in the daily prayers, she has been a real inspiration to me. To see her wrinkled old face light up as she talks of Heaven is almost to catch a glimpse of the pearly gates," and she closes by saying, "A gentle woman! A mother in Israel! Would that she might live another eighty years!"

MARY E. HOLT, *Official Correspondent.*

CENTRAL CHINA

Woman's Work Organized in Kiu Kiang 1874, in Chin Kiang 1884, in Nanking 1887, in Wuhu 1897, in Nanchang 1903.

MISSIONARIES

Chin Kiang.

LUCY A. HOAG, M. D. LAURA M. WHITE, GRACE CROOKS,
MARY C. ROBINSON, GERTRUDE TAFT, M. D.

Kiu Kiang.

GERTRUDE HOWE, MARY STONE, M. D. THIRZA M. PIERCE,
CLARA E. MERRILL, CARRIE DREIBELBIES, ANNA STONE.

Nanking.

ELLA C. SHAW, SARAH PETERS, MARY L. ROWLEY,
*MRS. A. C. DAVIS.

Wuhu.

EMMA MITCHELL. LA DONA DEAVETT.

Nan Chang.

KATE L. OGBORN, IDA KAHN, M. D. BERTHA M. BEARD.

*Home on leave.

Within the bounds of the immense territory of this mission there is not a city, town, or hamlet where we could not have entered and freely preached the Gospel, if we had had workers to do so. Not one adult in ten thousand has had a fair opportunity to know intelligently the truth of the Gospel, and not one child in ten thousand has had the opportunity of securing a christian education.

From Chin Kiang the request for a teacher for the Girls' School is urgent. The women of Chin Kiang District are accessible and willing to hear the Gospel, whether in a place of worship or their own homes. The doctors give the Gospel to their patients. But their time is limited,

and the evangelistic work connected with the healing art is of first importance. Someone is needed to go out with the native helpers, as on account of Chinese customs, they cannot go alone. This makes the request for two new missionaries for Chin Kiang most urgent.

Nanking School has greatly outgrown its accommodations. It has a good reputation and is attracting pupils from the higher classes, and to meet the needs we must enlarge our buildings at once. If we do not buy the land this year we are in danger of losing our opportunity and so crippling our work. Bishop Moore has approved of the purchase of land and the plan of buildings. Two additional missionaries are asked for. If possible they should be sent at once. The evangelistic work both in city and country constantly increases, but it cannot be carried on with our present staff of workers.

The Philander Smith Memorial Hospital helps a multitude of suffering human beings each year.

Girls' Boarding and Training Schools. These speak for themselves. When asked for her annual report Miss White presented "her jewels." These "jewels," with well-trained voices, charmed the conference with their song of praise to Him who had redeemed them from all their sins. When this song was ended a native brother exclaimed, "Marvelous, marvelous!"

WUHU. A home for our workers is imperative. Rent is high and unprofitable. The rent for one year is three-fifths the interest on the sum required for land and building, a continued drain on the treasury with nothing to show for it. Two women so long asked for ought to be sent to Wuhu this fall. It is the center of a rich, fertile and populous district and fully open to evangelistic work.

KIU KIANG. The work cries loudly for enlargement. Seventy pupils are crowded into a building intended for fifty. Two new missionaries are asked for Kiu Kiang District.

NAN CHANG. It has been impossible to make the $7,000 provided for this work pay for the land and buildings authorized by the Society. The contractor, however, agreed to finish the buildings and wait until the additional $600 could be raised, charging no interest. Two new missionaries are greatly needed here for evangelistic work. Dr. Ida Kahn says her Chinese friends have raised $700 for the renting of a dispensary in the heart of the city of Nan Chang, and she is now endeavoring to purchase a suitable site for the proposed hospital.

The W. F. M. S. Home in Nan Chang has had no money provided for furniture. The bare house explains the need of the $200 asked for this purpose. The twenty-five scholarships asked for are not more

than half the number that will probably be in school, but it is expected that the others will be self-supporting. Unless these are granted, almost without exception, the girls of the church, in whom is our hope of helpers for the future, will be crowded out, and the school made one of single-handed work against heathenism, because of the lack of co-operation in the homes from which the pupils come. We are exceedingly glad to be able to establish a work in a place where about fifty per cent of the pupils will be self-supporting, and where every pupil will be expected to pay something from the first. But we must not value self-support beyond the training of girls in christian families, thus overlooking the time-honored custom of our church at home of giving special help to those who give promise of service to the church in future years. It grieves us to know that the Kingdom of God is held back from coming to these vast and populous regions, ready as they have never been before to receive it, for the lack of money—a sum so small that in many another enterprise a multiple of the amount could be raised with enthusiastic ease.

Eight new missionaries are asked for in Central China, buildings for hospitals, dispensary, school, and home for missionaries. The results of our work in that vast territory, the wide open doors, are surely the call of the Spirit to the church at home. He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

MRS. H. B. SKIDMORE, *Official Correspondent.*

WEST CHINA

Woman's Work Commenced 1882.
Discontinued 1885, Re-opened 1894.

MISSIONARIES

Chung King.

HELEN GALLOWAY, H. MIRIAM DECKER, ELLA MANNING,
DOROTHY JONES, AGNES EDMUNDS, M. D.

Chentu.

CLARA COLLIER.

CHUNG KING. Our work in West China has been somewhat embarrassed during the year by the serious illness of Miss Decker, which lasted through the first half of the year. Miss Galloway gave as much time to the care of the school as it was possible to spare from her duties as superintendent of the hospital, but the crippled condition of the

working force rendered the fulfillment of our anticipations in regard to the success of the school an impossibility.

At the present time there are thirty-five girls in the school. The attendance could have been largely increased if it had been thought advisable to burden a single missionary with the additional care and work which their presence would necessarily involve.

The course of study has been rearranged, so as to cover a period of eight years instead of ten as heretofore. The Bible course has been planned so as to give the students some knowledge of the entire book; only selected portions having previously been made the subject of instruction. The curriculum has also been so enlarged as to include history and natural science. Miss Decker writes hopefully, almost enthusiastically, as to this work. She says: "It is gratifying to see with what interest the students take up the new studies which have been provided for. These are not only enjoyed, but they seem to have especially developed the reasoning powers of the girls. The progress that they have made in the matter of thinking things out for themselves is notable and encouraging. They are far from being satisfied with memorizing the text books, and are constantly reaching out into the nature of correlated facts, and what in a more pretentious institution would be called original research."

The William Gamble Memorial Hospital was not opened until May 19, 1903, with Miss Galloway as superintendent. She reports that many things seemed to conspire to cause delays. "Orders for supplies and equipment need to be sent to America to be filled. Not a single article of hospital furniture could be procured at the station. One realizes, too, how far these people are from the ordinary routes of travel, from the fact that it requires a full year to receive the goods which are ordered from the homeland. If we attempt to secure here the manufacture of any special article, it is first necessary to send a man across the river to buy a pine log and to call a carpenter and explain to him in the greatest detail, not only what it is that we want manufactured, but also just how it is to be made. After all this is done it requires an immense amount of argument and effort to secure an agreement on his part to do the work at a reasonable price. If the article in question needs to be painted, a similar proceeding is necessary in regard to the painter, so that the completed article not only represents a certain cost for material and labor, but also an indefinite expenditure of persuasion, patience and self-control.

For the simplest splint which is used in reducing a fracture, or the construction of an operating table, we must depend on carpenters who

have not the slightest knowledge of a hospital's needs, and it follows as a necessary sequence that to succeed in securing the proper manufacture of any article, constant oversight and supervision on the part of the superintendent is absolutely essential. In order to meet the demands of the situation a missionary to West China needs to be far more than an intelligent christian; she must also be an architect, a master builder, an artisan of various accomplishments and a skillful manager of workmen. Missionaries having these qualifications are in demand for the West China work.

The task of operating a hospital without any trained assistants is not an easy one. The mission is comparatively new, and there are few trained women of any sort from whom our helpers can be selected, and as a matter of course, there are no women who have had the slightest experience as medical assistants. It is difficult to find women with unbound feet who have sufficient education or experience to qualify them even for elementary nursing. It must constantly be borne in mind that all of these people are only 'first generation christians,' and that our material for any service is very, very crude. The occupation of nursing is not attractive to these natives. They seem to regard it as a menial employment, and have yet to learn that the appointment to minister to those who are afflicted is a call to a blessed privilege."

During the first two months of her service, Dr. Edmunds treated twelve hundred patients. Poor, old, decrepit women who, taken in the aggregate, seemed to present every possible form of physical suffering, came to her for relief. To all of these, of course, she ministered. Some of her most pitiful experiences have been with little children. One of her first cases was a little slave girl who was suffering from tubercular abscesses. Her owners, considering her only a burden and hence a nuisance, had thrown her out into the street to beg or to starve, and when she presented herself at the hospital she had been without food for two days, and had been sleeping in the streets. Under Dr. Edmunds care her condition has been very greatly improved and the Doctor writes: "As I was making my rounds this morning and heard her cheerful voice and merry laugh, and looked into the face once so pinched and worn, now replaced by such a healthy, happy look, I gratefully realized that here is the evidence that our labors for her have not been in vain. She is a sweet child, loved by all who know her. How we shall provide for her when she is fully recovered I cannot tell, but we cannot think of sending her back to those people who cast her out when she most needed their protection and care."

Another child only fifteen years old came to the hospital with one hand enormously swollen and discolored. The teeth marks, which were plainly visible, gave a clue to the origin of her suffering, and upon being questioned, she admitted that her husband in a fit of anger had bitten her. In another instance, a woman with her nose half gone said that "the outside of her house," meaning her husband, "had bitten it off."

Many of the outside patients have been of the better class, and Dr. Edmunds hopes through them to gain access to the wealthier homes, which hitherto have been persistently closed aganst the entrance of the Gospel. She says: "In the homes of luxury we do not find the poverty and distress which exist among the poorer classes, but we do find misery in another and even more hopeless form. Many of the inmates are slaves both to wine and to opium. Men and women alike are the victims. They have neither the desire nor the will power to escape from their thraldom. Divine power alone can save them, or even create in them the slightest desire for salvation."

The statistical report from May 19 to June 30, 1903, the only report which has been received, is as follows:

Hospital patients	35
Outside patients	186
Dispensary patients from March 1 to June 30	2,475

The new bungalow, which is built on the opposite side of the river, away from the heat, the noisome smells and the confusion of the city, has been a boon to all the missionaries in Chung King. Mrs. Myers' report of a trip to a quarterly meeting in a district that five years ago was practically closed to foreigners and to the preaching of the Gospel, is most interesting:

"In 1898 an attempt to establish work there was paid for with the life of one of our bright young medical students, but God has used the sad event to bring the truth home to the hearts of many good men and women in that place, and the work there is growing and expanding beyond what man dared to hope. Traveling by boat we were met by several of the leaders and stewards of the church there, waiting our arrival. Among them, and the most cordial to receive us, was a fine looking, middle aged man, with a strong character marking his features. He was one of the three literary men who instigated the murder of young Tang when they thought the persecution of the christians was their duty to their own religion. This man is now a class leader in our church and willing to suffer the persecutions which come to the name of the christian for the sake of his living Saviour. About ten o'clock on

Saturday morning the women began to come. The Bible-woman, the preacher's wife and myself took turns talking, telling them the simple truths concerning our Saviour. The attention was good, though the ignorance of their minds and the newness of the story prevented them taking in much the first time. However, the meetings were continued all day long for three days and some of them came over and over again. We believe some seeds of the truth were planted in their hearts. The last day one nice looking old lady came with a few hundred cash. She said she liked the new faith, but had heard them say it cost money to belong, so she had brought some money and wished to have her name taken. We told her the Gospel was as free as the air she breathed, and that money could not buy Christ's love, and sent her away with her cash to learn a little more, though we felt assured that if the faith appealed to her purse and she was yet willing to accept it, that there must be some hope of her."

Miss Dorothy Jones, from the Deaconess Home in Milwaukee, was appointed to Chung King, and in September last commenced her long journey to this distant station. But how inadequate to the demand for helpers is one missionary, when the work calls for perhaps a dozen. With our limited resources, it is always impossible to realize ideal conditions, either as regards the number of our missionaries or the equipment which we can provide for them. At the very least we ought to send two more missionaries to Chung King to care for work there which ought not longer to be neglected.

Perhaps some of us remember the encouraging report which one year ago Miss Galloway made of her personal work among the native women; a work that promised most gratifying results and which, on every account, it was desirable it should be extended. The subsequent marriage of Miss Williams rendered it necessary to supply a new superintendent for the hospital. Miss Galloway was the only available person for the work, but by this transfer her evangelistic work was unprovided for, except as some consecrated women under the charge of the General Board have been able to give it some attention.

Miss Manning is already the housekeeper of the Deaconess' Home, the treasurer of the mission, and superintendent of the Woman's School and of the day schools. A year hence she ought to come home for a vacation, but we have no one in the station who is being prepared to assume her duties, and unless we arrange soon to send another missionary to the assistance of Miss Jones she will be left at the end of another year to assume the entire care of the boarding school.

Although this is a new mission, it would be a very vigorous and prosperous one if it could be reasonably supported and encouraged through that period which is necessary to prepare native workers for such duties as they can be trained to perform. One of the missionaries has stated the situation with great force and accuracy:

"Workers whose lives would be invaluable to the church and to the missions are going home, having become practically physical wrecks by the attempt to carry more work than it was possible to do with safety. Money is being wasted and the grade of work lowered by the policy which seeks to supply the places of experienced workers with untrained missionaries. The new workers are not sent until the missionary in charge must go home, therefore the work must stand still until the new arrival has acquired a sufficient knowledge of the language to say to the pupils, 'go on and study what the last teacher taught you until I have learned a little more of the language,' or some other worker, more experienced, more familiar with the language, but with equally heavy responsibilities can come to assist the new teacher, who is doing the best that she can, but whose limitations render her work inadequate."

This statement is in no particular overdrawn. The situation is not less serious than is here represented. Some persons will say "but this condition exists in all our mission fields." That, however, would not be quite true. It is true that everywhere and always workers are too few, but there are in the older missions a larger number of native Bible-women and teachers, who have been years in training, and on whom some of the many duties connected with the missionaries' administration may be imposed.

CHENTU. For six years Miss Collier has striven all alone to care for the interests connected with our station at Chentu. With a splendid courage, a patience that has known no wearying and a fidelity that has never faltered, single-handed and alone, this brave woman has rendered signal service to our cause. Is it not possible that we have been in some measure remiss in not giving attention to her pleas? It seems small wonder that she writes:

"I know that Chentu is a long distance from home and friends, and perhaps some other mission fields are in themselves more attractive. But it seems as though there might be someone somewhere who is willing to come to this work. I think it is impossible for any one who has not tried it to realize what it means to live among a heathen people year after year, and be obliged to meet, single-handed, all the multitudinous difficulties with which we have to contend, without com-

panionship, sympathy or helpful support. If it is at all practicable, please send some one to Chentu. In the meantime I realize that this is the Lord's work, and that hitherto He has wonderfully sustained and blessed me."

It may seriously be doubted whether under any circumstances, in a station so isolated and remote, a missionary should be left alone to deal with a situation which must be fraught with difficulties and discouragements. Miss Collier certainly deserves our sympathy. She is entitled to assistance, if by any means that assistance can be afforded. One of our missionaries writing concerning her, says: "A complete physical breakdown in her case is greatly to be feared, unless relief can be sent to her soon." That no report of her work has been received is a cause for regret, but it is certain that the failure to receive a report from her implies neither negligence nor indifference on her part. We must do whatever is possible for the Chentu Mission, and in the meantime we may rejoice that as the result of such service as hers there is today all over China a manifest turning away from the foolishness and childishness of idol worship, a groping after something more reasonable, a cutting loose from the ancient moorings of Confucianism, Buddhism and Taoism, to which they have been chained so long, and also suggest that unless the home churches are awake to their opportunity, and quickly, cautiously and with a strong hand throw out the "life line" to these drifting ones, they will fall back into a state of unbelief worse than idolatry.

MRS. F. P. CRANDON, *Official Correspondent.*

JAPAN

Voman's Work Commenced 1874, Organized as a Conference 1884.

CENTRAL JAPAN

MISSIONARIES

Tokyo.

M. A. SPENCER,
H. S. ALLING.
ELLA BLACKSTOCK,
E. M. SOPER.

Yokohama.

MRS. C. VAN PETTEN,
ANNA B. SLATE,
GEORGIA WEAVER,
GEORGIANA BAUCUS.

Nagoya.

.. J. WATSON, A. P. ATKINSON, ELLA HOLBROOK.

Sendai.

F. E. PHELPS, C. A. HEATON.

Home on Leave.

E. R. BENDER, AMY G. LEWIS,
N. M. DANIEL, ANNA V. BING.

In central Japan seventeen missionaries are enrolled, four of whom re home on health leave. Twenty-five Bible-women are employed, vho reach between thirty and forty different stations. Three girls' oarding schools, one Bible-woman's training school, one industrial chool and seven day schools are in operation, employing eighty-five ative teachers, both male and female, many of the latter being gradutes from our own institutions. These schools have an attendance of ,311 pupils.

TOKYO. The oldest work is Aoyama Jo Gakuin, and it is being rranged so as to complete a course of high school, if not collegiate, nstruction, to which all other girls' schools in the Conference shall end their pupils for whom a higher education is designed. Fourteen f the girls in this school have been received as probationers during he year, while others are waiting for the consent of their parents to dentify themselves with the Church. It became very evident that Janese girls were suffering in health and physical strength for lack of utdoor exercise, and much more attention has been given to this lepartment of physical culture the past year. A new playground has een leased, and there was a day of public field sports given on the nniversary of the founding of the school, which attracted much ttention.

The Harrison Industrial School was organized to open to Japanese vomen new fields for self-support, and it has been most successful in ccomplishing its aim and in establishing among its pupils the spirit of

a pure, unselfish christianity. In Sendai they combine industrial work with intellectual and christian training. The building long desired for its accommodation is now under way.

NAGOYA. Six of the teachers in the school at Nagoya are graduates of Aoyama, who have proved themselves well trained and have done faithful work. All the pupils are from heathen families, but, being brought into direct contact with christianity, the influence is carried into their homes; six have become professing Christians during the year, which has been marked by triumph in the midst of difficulties and a general advance in the prosperity of all departments. Constantly in our mission school is verified the promise: "When a man's ways please the Lord he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him."

The Training School for Bible Women at Yokohama has had a prosperous season, with the largest class to enter on the first year's studies that it has yet known. Each year the graduates are appointed to certain fields of labor, where they are visiting, teaching, helping the native pastors in their care of the congregations, strengthening the weak, instructing the ignorant, visiting families, diffusing christian doctrine and exemplifying christian life in their own daily walks and labors.

The day schools are situated in different localities in the large cities, two in Tokyo and five in Yokohama. These schools have a direct evangelistic effect in their neighborhood, and are often placed in the most depraved parts of the city. Visiting evangelists have found near them a people very ready to hear and receive the Gospel; many of the children are converted, and the native teachers are nearly, if not all christians. In Yokohama is a kindergarten, for which a friend gave the money for a new building with a play ground. This makes the third new building finished in the past year for the day schools of this city, and extensive repairs have been necessary in other sites. Schools for the blind are established in some of the cities of the missions, these are largely the result of Mrs. Draper's practical sympathy; she has gone to her reward, but the benevolences she initiated have grown and multiplied, so that numbers of this helpless and hitherto neglected class have been helped to the means of earning a comfortable livelihood, and have learned the blessedness of christian faith.

Mother's meetings are held in Tokyo and in Yokohama by Miss Chappel and Mrs. Draper. Some of these are attended by women of the official classes, as well as of the laboring people; practical subjects are presented and the christian ideal is kept before all.

At a missionary conference it was lamented that there were so few Spirit-filled evangelists, and such a small number of the bright christian young men in Japan seemed willing to enter the ministry. One modest man suggested that it was because the home life of the people was not sufficiently permeated with the spirit of the Gospel. In every land the prayers and teachings of mothers form the ideals of sons; not only in Japan, but in America, professing christian women need to have this truth written in their hearts.

The report of the Literary Department, under Miss Baucus and Miss Dickinson, which has its center in Yokohama, was given by the Literature Committee.

Three new missionaries have been sent to this field during the year, Miss Weaver and Miss Soper to Aoyama and Miss Slate to Yokohama. These new missionaries, though well prepared, energetic and devoted, cannot be expected to fill the positions of the three experienced ones who have been forced to return home on health leave. It would be ideal if our Methodist Episcopal Mission could do as one English society has done and send all who are willing to go to some one central locality, where each would acquire the language, become familiar with the native customs and be ready to fill each vacancy that occurs, so that the progress of the work need not be hindered. As the field enlarges more and more workers are needed.

The time allotted for the reading of these reports will not permit the giving of the interesting incidents related in the Japanese Annual Report, which makes each department so full of life. This report should be read by every one interested in our Woman's Missionary work.

MRS. S. L. KEEN, *Official Correspondent.*

NORTHERN JAPAN

Woman's Work Commenced in Hakodate 1870, in Hirosaki 1877, in Sapporo 1900.

MISSIONARIES

Hakodate.

AUGUSTA DICKERSON, MARY S. HAMPTON, FLORENCE E. SINGER.

Hirosaki.

*ELLA J. HEWETT, ADA SOUTHARD, MARY B. GRIFFITHS.

Sapporo.

*LOUISA IMHOF, BESSIE ALEXANDER.

*Home on leave.

HAKODATE. The past year was marked by the return of Miss Dickerson, accompanied by Miss Carnahan, of Pittsburg, who might be termed a round-the-world mission visitor. Their arrival a few days before Christmas afforded occasion for a series of delightful greetings, combined with holiday festivities, which were crowned with a baptismal service on the following Sunday, when seven girls took upon themselves the vows of the church. Miss Carnahan, remaining through the winter, proved a most helpful companion and adviser in all the work of the school and the church.

The number of pupils in the Caroline Wright Memorial School, known there as the "School of Memorial Love," was the largest ever enrolled, being 233, including the kindergarten.

Over three-fifths of these were day scholars, "for which," Miss Dickerson says, "we are glad, for it means the entrance of the Jesus Doctrine into many more homes and many more people interested in the greatest cause in the world."

Eight young women, all Christians, were graduated, and have since taken places as assistant teachers in Hirosaki or Hakodate.

Miss Ella Hewett, who had assisted in the Hakodate work during Miss Dickerson's absence, herself returned on home furlough a little later. She speaks especially of her delight in the Bible studies of the school, and of the impressions these made upon the hearts of the girls, as witnessed in their daily lives. The Epworth League Sunday afternoon prayer meetings and the daily Bible classes for the younger girls have been under the care of their Japanese teachers, who have shown great efficiency and loving interest in their work.

Miss Singer reports encouraging progress in her department of music. She says: "Of the important place music occupies in the evan-

gelization of the world I need not write, except that year by year we catch enlarged visions of its importance." Miss Singer has charge also of the little school for the blind, where the pupils have made their own hymn books and are now at work on the Bibles.

This eminently successful school has finally reached a point where new and larger plans are required. Miss Dickerson writes: "It was originally built for about twenty girls. It has been added to and subtracted from, and changed and repaired as its numbers have multiplied, until a long rambling building without unity of design stretches from one end of the compound to the other, leaving but small space for the necessary play ground. There are kindergarten, primary, intermediate and high school grades, all in a connected building. The lack of beauty and harmony in architecture did not trouble the workers until the ravages of the damp climate made floors shaky, stairways tremble, and chimneys lean dangerously out of plumb. But even these disadvantages, added to dark and inconvenient classrooms, have been patiently endured and the school has flourished in spite of them. And they could be borne longer, perhaps, were it not for the fact that even such buildings as they are, are overcrowded, and the very girls for whom the work is planned must be turned away for lack of room."

In view of these conditions it has been determined to purchase property in a newer part of the city and to erect buildings there for the home and the boarding and higher departments of the school.

Philadelphia Branch will appropriate their thank offering to this purpose.

The evangelistic work under Miss Hampton has gone forward without special incident. Five street Sunday schools are carried on by the older girls under her supervision. These, located in different parts of the city, attract many besides children, who thus hear the life-giving word.

HIROSAKI. Many changes have taken place in the Girls' School by removal of several teachers, among them the Japanese principal, under whom for a number of years excellent progress has been made in spiritual as well as temporal things. There is no evidence, however, of retrogression in the efficiency of the work done. A Japanese lady principal, a graduate from our Aoyama school and a successful teacher, has been secured, who is winning the esteem of all as a competent person for her responsible position. Since the arrival of Mrs. Alexander Miss Southard has transferred to her the superintendence of the school and is once again giving her time to the kindergarten.

The new home, so long greatly needed, will soon be under process of construction. This is to be the gift of the young women of a conference of the Northwestern Branch.

The district evangelistic work, under the efficient care of Miss Griffiths, is full of interest. In writing of the Bible-women of one section Miss Griffiths says: "By the grace of God they have worked on patiently and effectively day by day teaching the children, guiding inquirers and instructing believers. Often they are placed in positions requiring tact, patience and wisdom, but even the youngest of them—and she is but twenty years of age—has won and held the respect and confidence of old and young. How often during the past years have the words given to Moses been echoed in my own heart: 'Charge Joshua and encourage him, and strengthen him, for he shall go over before this people and he shall cause them to inherit the land.'

It is no mean part of missionary work thus to seek and encourage, by every means in our power, our Japanese co-workers. Through the quiet, but steady and effective work of our Bible-women, supplementing the labors of the pastors, many souls are being led to Christ and then further instructed in the faith. One of them told me of a Christian man who attributes his conversion to the lecture of a Buddhist priest. The lecture was one round of abuse of Christianity, and as the man listened he decided he would go and find out for himself what it was that was so dreadful in the Jesus doctrine. He went, not once but many times, and ere long became a follower of Jesus."

SAPPORO. Miss Imhof reports a busy year in her city evangelistic work, which includes Bible classes, sewing classes, women's meetings, Sunday schools, work in the linen factory and calling in the homes of the people, to which comprehensive list she adds "etc., etc.," possibly lest we might conclude her time not fully occupied. The work in the factory has been rewarding, as evident in the great improvement in the general appearance of the girls in tidiness of person and brightened expression of face. A considerable number have manifested a desire to follow and obey Christ. Special encouragement has been received from the fact that hereafter every Sunday instead of three in the month is to be a holiday.

Miss Imhof is now once again at home on furlough, at the close of fourteen years of service, her place being supplied by Miss Alexander.

Mrs. C. W. Huett notes signs of progress in her district work. "The Yamahana Sunday school is carried on by three young girls who walk three miles every Sunday morning to the Sapporo Sunday school and then go back and gather up the sixty or more children of their

neighborhood in the afternoon and teach them what was taught themselves in the morning. All through our work we notice the spirit of helpfulness among the Christians. They are more ready to do what they can, and it is not so difficult to find Sunday school teachers and such helpers."

MRS. A. N. FISHER, *Official Correspondent.*

SOUTHERN JAPAN

Woman's Work Commenced in 1879.

MISSIONARIES

Nagasaki.

ELIZABETH RUSSELL, LOLA M. KIDWELL.
MARIANA YOUNG, *MARY E. MELTON,
MABEL DAVISON, HETTIE A. THOMAS.

Fukuoka.

LEONORA SEEDS, MABEL K. SEEDS.

Kagoshima.

JENNIE M. GHEER, *LIDA B. SMITH.

*Home on leave.

NAGASAKI. Twenty-five years ago our two brave pioneers, Misses Russell and Gheer, landed in Nagasaki. Neither home nor welcome, not even pupils awaited them, and to doubting hearts it would have been a trying time. But they were made of strong fiber and were there in obedience to the Master's command "Go ye," and so were neither discouraged nor afraid. No open door awaited them, nor was the General Missionary Society strongly entrenched there. The story of their faith, as well as their works, makes a chapter of missionary history that strengthens this faith and gives courage to the weak. From that day of small beginnings we trace the growth of women's work in South Japan Conference to an educational work reaching from kindergarten up to college grade, with day schools and evangelistic work, Sunday schools and Bible-women, medical work and every form of christian helpfulness, all of which has grown from that day of small beginnings twenty-five years ago, and, while changes in the force have been noted, our recruits have come and gone, these two representatives are still in the front line in labors most abundant, fit leaders for the advancing host of the army of conquest. In spite of the depleted force of workers, there is an advance on all

lines of work. The boarding school is full to overflowing, with applicants waiting a chance to enter the first opportunity that opens, and the city work, under Miss Melton's care, has grown in power and influence. This covers Sunday schools (fifty in number), Bible-women's work, women's meetings and every other way of telling the "story of peace" to these poor sin-burdened people.

The dispensary, under Dr. Suganama, continues its work of Gospel healing, and through this open door many are reached. The Sunday school taught there by girls from the Biblical department of Kwassui reaches many who could not be won in other ways. The addition of Misses Davison and Thomas to the working force will lighten the burden somewhat, but does not remove it entirely. Two more are needed, one for city and evangelistic work and one for kindergarten training. The evangelistic work in North Kiushiu is under Miss Leonora Seeds. She has eight Bible-women under her charge. There are nine Sunday schools, one woman's meeting and one Foreign Missionary Society. They have received the gospel into their hearts and so must wish to send it further. Through these Bible-women many have come into the church during the year. When a Sunday school is opened in a new place it is not long until it becomes a preaching appointment. Baptisms from the work of these Bible-women have become so frequent that they are expected naturally to follow the Bible teaching.

FUKUOKA. Miss Mabel Seeds, of Eiwa Jo Gakko, makes her first report, which is a very good one. There is a total enrollment of ninety, forty of whom are boarders. Many of the day pupils have become earnest inquirers during the year and some have already been baptized. Physical culture is a new feature in this school and is given by a Kwassui graduate. Lessons on the organ and vocal music are a welcome addition to the curriculum. Most grateful mention is made of much needed repairs in the building, as well as a new coat of paint inside and out. Miss Seeds writes that much of the year's success is due to the head teacher, a Kwassui graduate also.

SOUTH KIUSHIU. Evangelistic work is superintended by Miss Gheer. During the year she has been assisted by fourteen women in the different departments. Of these three are only employed part of the time and one only in the night school at Loo Choo, which is the mission of a mission. Cholera has interfered somewhat, yet in spite of all drawbacks, the work everywhere is most encouraging. The Bible-women report over 6,000 calls, and the number of those who have come to them is probably nearly as large. Three women are employed in Loo Choo. A night school for girls is supported there for women and

girls varying in numbers from fifteen to fifty. Formosa has been placed in this district. There are some members of our church on the Island and they are pleading for help, and so the blessed leaven spreads, for no matter where the hungry souls are found the Master's charge to his disciples, "Give ye them to eat," is just as imperative today as when given to His disciples in the days of His earthly ministry.

SUMMARY.

Missionaries	8
Missionaries on home leave	2
Bible-women	17
Bible-women, calls made	6,023
Boarding schools	3
Pupils	199
Sunday schools	26
Average attendance	682
One orphanage—inmates	20
Families visited	1,985

MRS. B. R. COWEN, *Official Correspondent.*

KOREA

Woman's Work Commenced 1885.

MISSIONARIES

Seoul.

*MRS M. F. SCRANTON,
ELLA A. LEWIS,
JOSEPHINE O. PAINE,
EMMA ERNSBERGER, M. D.
LULA E. FREY,
MARY M. CULTER, M. D.
NELLIE PIERCE,
MINERVA GUTHAPFEL.

Pyeng Yang.

MRS. ROSETTA SHERWOOD HALL, M. D.
ETHEL M. ESTEY,
ESTHER KIM PAK, M D.
HENRIETTA P. ROBBINS.

Chemulpo.

MARY R. HELLMAN,
LULA A. MILLER.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE.

MRS. W. A. NOBLE,
MRS. G. H. JONES,
MRS. E D. FOLWELL,
MRS. ROBERT A. SHARP.

*Home on leave.

PYENG YANG. The Koreans are hungry for the Gospel. A great opportunity is here presented to win a race to Christ. While every section is advancing, Pyeng Yang leads. There was nothing in

that city ten years ago; now there are two great missionary centers—ours and the Presbyterian—with hundreds of members. Missionaries can go thirty days through the country and preach to a Methodist congregation every night. Our new missionary home is altogether satisfactory. It has bedrooms and studies for four missionaries. The Woman's Hospital, remodeled under Dr. Cutler's supervision, will be admirable when completed.

The Girls' School Building is convenient and well adapted to its purpose, but it is desirable to purchase more ground near by as soon as possible for a boarding school, which will soon be a necessity.

CHEMULPO. It is of the utmost importance that our missionaries here have a home. A piece of ground adjoining Parent Board property is offered us at a reasonable price. Bishop Moore advises its immediate purchase and the home built at once, as he says it is putting the lives of our missionaries in jeopardy to require them to live in their present unsuitable dwelling.

SEOUL. The large influx of Japanese opens new opportunities for Gospel teaching and calls for more Gospel teachers. A new hospital building is an immediate necessity in Seoul.

For all our workers in Korea we have from Bishop Moore the highest praise. He says four others of equal excellence should be sent at once to reinforce this work, so grand in present results and rich in future promise.

All the schools in Korea have had their best year. Thus far the girls have shown increasing interest and their grades have never been better. A few steps in self-support have been taken and very many of the pupils this year have had their clothing furnished from their homes. The Christmas time was made very happy by the boxes sent from America.

To tell of medical work in the hospitals and dispensaries would claim all our time and space. There is much to be thankful for. Evangelistic work goes hand in hand with it, as also with our school work. No one seems ever to lose sight of the first duty of a missionary—to set forth Jesus before the people: At one of the recent baptismal services one of the number gave her experience. She said she had known that to steal or murder was sin, but as she had never done anything of that kind she did not know that she was a sinner till she read the Bible. Then she began to feel her sins growing heavier and heavier till she could bear the weight no longer. Her bright face, as well as words, told that she had found one who had lifted the burden and given her peace. Soon after this her father's birthday came and, according to

custom, she must help prepare the sacrificial food and take part in the ceremony. This she refused to do, suffering patiently the persecutions of her relatives, because she stood firm in her new-found faith. Her sister-in-law is a probationer and her mother has since become interested. In this way light spreads from heart to heart.

"Why do you not come to our village?" is the plea everywhere, and lack of workers, time and strength is the only answer that can be given. The story of the earnest faces of the women; the pathetic eagerness to read the Bible; the prayer for the Living Bread, stirs one's soul to its depths, and we wish as we pass over Korean scenes and read the letters of our missionaries from this and every other land that we had the millions of the world's wealth at command. But we remember that Jesus has and we humbly say, "Lord Jesus, help us to be willing and obedient. It is all we can do."

MRS. H. B. SKIDMORE, *Official Correspondent.*

BULGARIA

Woman's Work Commenced 1884.
Constituted a Mission Conference 1892.

MISSIONARIES

Lovetch.

*KATE BLACKBURN, DORA DAVIS.

*Home on leave.

Lovetch Girls' School. The academic year at our girls' school, which closed on June 24, 1903, was in many respects memorable. At the very beginning the institution had as many students as could possibly be accommodated. The aggregate enrollment numbered sixty-two and was about evenly divided between the boarding school and the day pupils. Failure in health compelled one of the girls to return to her home before the end of the first half year, and at a little later date one of the youngest pupils, a sweet little scholarship girl, who was also an earnest and devout little Christian, was taken to the Home with many mansions. Her companions felt her loss keenly and the influence of her quiet but devout life was persuasive and inspiring.

So far as its finances are concerned, the last has been the most successful year in the history of the institution. So large a number of the pupils paid the school fees that the local income showed a most gratifying advance. Little by little patrons of the school are learning its

value and are becoming more and more willing to pay in cash for the privileges that their daughters enjoy. The large number of boarding pupils who were self-supporting was not made an excuse for less care in the matter of domestic economies. The same watchful oversight of all departments, the same carefulness in preventing little wastes, the same foresight in providing what was necessary, and in planning for plenty without superfluity, all combined have rendered the management of the home department a marvel of efficiency. Miss Blackburn, through years of experience has grown to be a veritable adept in the multitudinous cares of domestic management.

While we have our congratulations in the success which has attended the administration, there is even more reason for congratulation in the growth and progress manifest in the life of the school throughout the year. This is not a reason for astonishment. Before the year began much prayer had been offered and special preparations had been made by the missionaries for the work which was before them, and it ought never to surprise God's children to receive substantial answers to prayers offered in faith and followed by earnest endeavor. From the beginning, the native teachers who are employed in the school have worked in hearty sympathy with us and much credit is due them for their earnest efforts. It speaks well for the work of the school that these teachers, whose training was all received within its classes, are proving themselves by their daily work to be so worthy its past benefaction and its present confidence.

As the church at Lovetch (the Bulgarian name is now used to the exclusion of the former Turkish one), aside from the school contingent, is small, the various lines of church work are so planned that the initiative is taken in the fall, when all the students have returned to Lovetch. The first weeks of school life are therefore busy ones, when not only in the school, but in the church across the way, plans and arrangements for the coming year are being made. September of 1902 was no exception to this rule, meetings following each other in such close succession that it seemed almost a wonder how the time was found for each and all.

Right bravely in the church the members took up the problem of finance and each subscribed so generously that the pledges more than equalled the apportionments. The local Woman's Foreign Missionary Society chose for its study for the year "Via Christi" and pursued it faithfully until the close. The book was apportioned chapter by chapter, but the work was necessarily made comparatively easy to follow, for we had few helps to study and not all of those who studied could

translate the work for themselves. A few in the auxiliary were unable to read, even in the Bulgarian tongue, for the membership of the church is not by any means confined to the membership of the school.

For the help of such persons and also to aid those who could not study in the English, volunteers offered themselves for preparatory study each month. The president conducted a monthly drill designed to supplement and fix in mind the study assigned to the month. Local work in the society was not neglected, nor can the influence of the faithful service among these Lovetch women be estimated. One dear little woman has been most keenly tried during this past summer, even to the extent of threats on the part of her husband to drive her from her home with their two little ones if she does not relinquish her faith, but she stands firm, resisting bribes, bad treatment and threats and still hopes to win her husband to a belief in God and the church. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society again undertook the raising of twenty dollars for the Bible work in Bulgaria, a real test both of faith and financial ability. Faith and prayer and work conquered, and the money was paid to the conference treasurer in February.

Words can but feebly express our appreciation of the valuable gifts made to the school by and through the efforts of our honored and beloved Bishop Vincent. To him we are indebted for a theograph that has been most helpful to us. A beautiful set of Cosmos pictures, which serve at once the double purpose of instruction and adornment, was also his gift, and lastly we have received from him a very superior magic lantern that will be of inestimable value in our work.

By work in the same line, but through a different channel, another twenty dollars has been raised for the support of an orphan in the famine district of India. This has been done by a missionary society having for its membership the girls of the sixth or graduating class in the school, together with those who have been its members and have passed out from the school. These girls, early in the year, resolved to undertake some special work and chose this as something so "tangible" that the really personal interest felt in it would help them to persevere in the work; for it meant work and much of it, as nearly every girl in the society had to contrive ways and means to earn the money that she wanted to give. Again, as in the former instances, persistent effort and patient gathering by littles, won the day. The girls have done what they could and in the doing of it they have been blessed.

Early in the year the Epworth League found that the state of its treasury warranted it in sending an order for the organ, for the purchase of which it had been gathering the littles for more than a year

past. The organ in question was to be a gift to the church, thus making it possible for the old one, which had been used there, to be placed in the lower room used by the League for its prayer meetings. As soon as the new cabinet could perfect its arrangements, the purchase was made, for every one wanted the new organ in its place before the opening of the annual conference last April. Much time and no small degree of patience are needed for such matters as these, but at the very last moment, as it were, the creaking buffalo cart brought the organ on the last stage of its long journey, and it was a very happy League that helped to welcome the Bishop and the conference when they gathered in Lovetch, happy in the consciousness of having done its part in the general work of preparation for the anticipated event.

The League did not confine its efforts, of course, to the purchase of that organ. Every department pushed its work, endeavoring to live in accordance with the motto, "lift up" while striving ever to "look up" towards the One who is our guide in every endeavor. The Saturday evening prayer meetings have been of great help and have been the means of leading into active service the younger people who are timid in the larger meetings.

Every Sunday afternoon some members of the League, accompanied by one or both of the missionaries, visited a neighboring village, destitute of any other religious service whatever, and held a little informal Sunday school for the children and for any others who wished to profit by the meeting. At first these were little outdoor gatherings under the trees, but as cold weather approached a village home was opened to the visitors and there in a little room not more than 12 by 15 feet in size, twenty people were often gathered to listen to the simple Gospel story, the word of prayer and the sacred songs. The one window, about six inches square, afforded little light, so the door was usually left open, even in midwinter, with the thermometer at the zero point. Blessed indeed was the satisfaction of these Leaguers as at last the childish voices of those peasant children joined them in singing in their own tongue, "Jesus loves me, this I know," and other like songs. All felt well repaid for the time and labor involved in these weekly visits. Thousands of tracts were distributed, numbers of Bibles, Testaments and other religious literature were either sold or given away, and the temperance work was pushed. A Bible study class was maintained and monthly literary meetings were held. Mercy and Help work received its share of attention, and in fact, it seemed that these young Leaguers had a hand in every good word and work. If any of our friends doubt the depth and earnestness of the work, a few instances may be cited to

prove the contrary. A young man from Lovetch attended our mission school for boys in Sistof some years ago. He was converted and in consequence was refused admittance to his home for the vacations. He found refuge in the home of a brother, worked his way through school, graduated and went into business for himself at Lovetch, his native town. For eight or ten years his father's door had been closed to him. Less than two years ago a change came. They had watched his life and were convinced he was worthy their confidence. His parents invited him to make his home with them and he accepted the invitation. As a result, his two sisters, now grown to womanhood, attend our church and Sunday school regularly, and his mother, a woman of unusual determination and of more than ordinary ability, has taken down the images or "Icons" that hold so prominent a place in every Greek Catholic home. She listens daily as her son or daughter reads to her from God's word, and the home has been thrown wide open to all the Methodist friends, pastor included. Thus the leaven is working in one home.

Yet another case from the town of Loftcha or Lovetch. A young employe from one of the largest dry goods stores in the town was converted, joined our Epworth League and later our church. His parents, superstitious in the extreme, bitterly opposed him in his new convictions. Night after night he was locked out of his home, sleeping on the rocks, yet never complaining, until finally his life was threatened by his own father and he thought it the part of wisdom to seek employment in another city for a time. By letters and material aid he patiently endeavored for two years in vain to win his parents at least to a reconciliation, then his persevering efforts were rewarded and another home is opened to our church. It is encouraging to note the development of true christian character in these young people.

This work is not done in a day, nor can it be. But with more than twenty-five graduates of our girls' school now resident in Lovetch, with a membership of eighty in the local Epworth League, a W. F. M. S. auxiliary of twenty, a girls' mission band of thirty members, a good Sunday school and our own girls' school, who will say that the leaven is not working? It takes years to break down the prejudice of centuries, and in some cases it takes years to win one home. A girl is not allowed to become identified with the Protestant church without her parents' consent, hence the work is of necessity slow, but ceaseless toil, consistent living and persistent prayer will conquer in the end. So our faith wavers not, though sometimes the storm clouds gather and oppositions rise.

Nor is it simply in Lovetch that we are getting a hold for Christ. In the past year a whole village near the Danube has come, as it were, into our hands and care. During his residence in Europe, Bishop Vincent has organized a little society for people who would not join the church. He calls it the Society of the True Life. He has written manuals for their use, which have been translated into the Bulgarian language, entitled "The True Physical Life," "The True Intellectual Life," "The True Domestic Life" and "The True Spiritual Life." A thousand people have joined this society. Through this "True Life Society" a church organization has sprung into life in Vratza, an entirely new point. At the last conference session a pastor was assigned to that charge. In still another village a new church has been built and dedicated and great advance has been made.

Coming one Sunday afternoon from the Sunday school work in the village the way led past a gay company engaged in a dance just at the edge of the city. A young woman of our company, a graduate of our girls' school and also a League member, remarked to the missionary, "How can those people find enjoyment in passing the Sunday thus?" Then, as if to reprove herself, she added, "But I remember when I could not spend a Sunday away from a dance. Now I care nothing for it." She had found something better and more satisfying, and although from a Greek Catholic home, in a few months from that time she had obtained permission from her parents and united with the Methodist Church. Another home opened!

In writing of the estimates, Miss Davis says: "There is, as you see, one new item—a teacher for a village school. The opening seems one that we ought to make provision for, and I have myself been to the village to see the people. They are a village of Bohemian emigrants, driven from their homes by persecution, and trying to make homes in Bulgaria, where their Protestant faith may be tolerated. They have become members of our church, and Dr. Constantine regularly visits them and ministers unto them. For six years their children have had no opportunity to attend a school. I asked them if they could prepare a place for a school and a room for a teacher; the mere possibility of a school was a joy to them. They thought they could arrange so as to use their little chapel for the school itself, and that a room could be added to one of their houses, so that it would be possible for a teacher to come and live among them. Their houses are only of beaten mud and the room could not be built until the harvest work is done. When done a teacher can live with them very comfortably, teaching their children and working among the women. The school, if started, will

number from forty to fifty children. They are to me an exceedingly interesting people; quiet, devout, hardworking, making no complaint over the hardness of their lot, although the trials they have suffered must have put their courage to the test. Driven by persecution from their former homes, they sought a refuge in Bulgaria; when just fairly settled in their new homes and getting their land under cultivation, they were mobbed and driven out by jealous Bulgarian villagers, and in the wet, cold season of the year had to wander forth again homeless. The Bulgarian government punished the offending villagers, but could not rebuild the homes of the victims for them. The government, however, gave them a new site whereon to build, a barren, uncultivated field and there these brave people dug into the hillside and made shelters for themselves and their children till the weather made it possible to build their little homes of beaten mud. That was two years ago, and now if they secure what their harvest ought to bring them this year, they will be able to live without fear of starvation this winter. They have cultivated that barren field and are already an object lesson to the dirty villagers around them.

I believe that if we can give them a teacher now that after two or three years they can pay a teacher's salary themselves, but at present the most they can do is to provide a home for her.

The primary school in Hotantsa has an enrollment of nineteen pupils and good reports have been received concerning it.

Mr. Constantine's report to the conference indicates that there is a real spiritual awakening among the people. In one of his visits to Hotantsa special services were held for ten days, which were occasions of interest and Divine blessing. A young girl not over thirteen years old led the way toward the higher life. Another was a man eighty years of age, who stood up for the first time in his life to testify that he wished to give what was left of his earthly life to the service of the Master. His attempts to make known his desire were not very successful, and he tried to pray and commenced to repeat the Lord's Prayer, alternating between the Bulgarian and the Slavic dialects, but could his stammering tongue have only uttered:

> "Our Father," that were of higher worth
> To his ailing soul
> Than all the creeds on earth."

Twenty-five persons of various ages expressed a desire to forsake their sins and henceforth to lead christian lives.

Let those who can measure the value and influence of one loyal soul won for the Master, of one true christian home, sound, if they will,

the first note of retreat and say that the work in Bulgaria should be abandoned, and these uplifting agencies and influences withdrawn. We prefer the encouraging words of the Saviour concerning those who give but "a cup of cold water in His name," and the poor woman "who hath done what she could."

MRS. F. P. CRANDON, *Official Correspondent.*

ITALY

Organized as a Conference in 1881.
Woman's Work Commenced in 1886.

MISSIONARIES

*M. ELLA VICKERY, EVA ODGERS,
AGNES A. LLEWELLYN, LAURA E. BEAZELL,
EDITH M. SWIFT.

* ome on leave.

ROME. The opportunity to visit Rome and to become personally familiar with the character and extent and future outlook of the mission work which is being carried on in that city, was afforded me last March and was eagerly embraced. It was in fact the realization of a dream which, at frequent intervals, had woven its elusive imagery with the experiences of many years.

Correspondence, the use of maps, photographs and knowledge gleaned from personal conversations with those who were actively connected with Italian missions, but who, from one or another reason, had been on visits to the home land, had enabled me to form something better than a crude idea of the several enterprises in which our Society is interested, but no representation, or report, or description can adequately take the place of that knowledge which actual contact with a situation affords. The reality always is very different from the picture and the reality is more impressive than any portraiture of it can be.

For some reason, which it is difficult to define, the Italian missions have never seemed to appeal to our Society with the same interest that has been manifested in the work located in India and China and Japan, and yet no work for which the Society is responsible has more claims for recognition, is more efficient, or has shown greater advancement or success.

The home school on Via Garibaldi was our first investment in Rome. The property which was purchased for this purpose cost fifteen thousand dollars, but it could today be easily sold for twice that sum

if we desired to part with it. Some alterations have been made in the building to render it less like a nunnery in appearance and to better adapt it to the purposes of education and as a home for the bright and happy girls who live there. In the ample garden which is attached to the school, there are orange and lemon trees and fruits of many varieties. Flowers and vegetables are also cultivated and are arranged with such skill and taste that the whole appearance is exceedingly beautiful and artistic. These grounds also afford a superb view of Janiculum Hill, with its graceful trees, its beautiful drives and parks, and its splendid statue of Garibaldi, the Liberator of Italy.

The value of our work in Rome and the importance of maintaining it have often been insisted upon in the reports which have been placed before this General Executive Committee. In none of our mission stations is there any greater need for Gospel instruction than in Rome, and nowhere have the results of mission effort been more tangible and beneficent. In the midst of the greatest papal city in the world the representatives of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society have been successful in establishing schools of recognized merit, and in which the christian faith, as it is accepted and believed and proclaimed by the Methodist Episcopal Church, forms not only a part of the instruction, but is earnestly urged upon students as insuring to those who accept it "Peace on earth and in the end everlasting life."

In co-operation with the missionaries appointed and supported here by the general missionary society, regular preaching and Sunday school services are constantly maintained, and through these agencies many of the people have been converted and are enabled to rejoice in the christian assurance and hope. Hitherto, the support given by the secretary of the Northwestern Branch to our Italian interests was inspired by faith in the reports of the work which from time to time came to us from those who had it in charge. The opportunity to become personally familiar with its methods, influence and outlook, has most abundantly justified that faith and transformed a former conviction into a realized knowledge. The importance of our Italian missions is not second to any work which we support.

Dr. Clark, whose long residence in Italy and whose intimate knowledge of its people and conditions, enable him to speak with an authority which cannot be called into question, says: "To the masses of the people of this country the Gospel of Jesus Christ is entirely unknown. It can scarcely be less known to the masses in China, India or Japan. While Italy may not be called a "heathen country" it is nevertheless in no sense in which we understand the term, a "christian country."

Those persons who think and say that there is no need of preaching the gospel to these people because they are already christian, only show that they have no adequate conception of the moral and spiritual destitution which prevails in Papal lands."

Professor Merriam, of the University of Naples, a man of broad culture and perhaps as familiar with the moral and social conditions of the country as any living authority, a man who was himself born and reared in the Roman Catholic Church, and who has never yet withdrawn from it, speaking of the religion of that church says: "It may, indeed, have had its days of glory and usefulness, but it has now become a pure formalism, it has no power over the morals of the people; it does not attract or educate or uplift the masses; it simply holds them under its sway by force of habit, and its ultimate result can only be ignorant credulity in the midst of ignorant incredulity."

Under such conditions is it possible to conceive of a land where missionary effort is more imperiously demanded? Its history and civilization and its art only emphasize the density of its moral degradation. Its people, when they can be reached, respond readily to Gospel instruction. Shall we send it to them?

As in pagan lands, so here the most effective and permanent agency for the redemption and salvation of the people is through the children. The schools that have been established are exerting a constantly increasing influence, which is gradually but certainly permeating the entire community.

Miss Martha Diem, of Switzerland, who comes to us from a missionary family and with a missionary spirit, will have the departments of Domestic Science and French Language, and we shall make training for domestic service a special feature, training girls particularly for housekeepers. We shall also open in October our own industrial school and not continue to send the girls across the city to the government school, as we have been doing. We shall then have all the labor of the girls and it will in time be a great source of revenue to the school. But more than this, they will be under the influence of christian teachers all the time. Our home is badly arranged for the industrial work and cannot be adapted to it without radical changes, but we shall do the best we can and hope to earn part of the money for the new building. By spring we hope to be able to fill orders for lace and embroidered handkerchiefs, collars and various other kinds of fine work.

The "Schuola Margherita," which our girls have been attending, refused last year 300 pupils for want of room, and there is every reason to believe that many of those who cannot be admitted to that school will

come to us as day pupils. Had we room, we could now have more than double the present number of boarding pupils from all parts of Italy. We are receiving applications every day. Many of these are from Catholic parents, who say they had rather pay us more money than the nuns ask than to have their children under their influence, because they want them to learn to be honest and good, not to lie and deceive and say prayers as they are taught in nuns' schools. We always say, "But they must study our Bible and go to our church and Sunday school." And invariably the answer comes, "I want them to do so. They will learn something there. The name of the church is not important. I want my child to have character."

The standard of excellence in scholarship and character has been steadily raised and this has come through the prayerful efforts of the girls for self-mastery, assisted by the conscientious exercise of strict discipline by the authorities. Their religious lives have been helped by the morning and evening Bible study and prayer, students and teachers taking their turns in leading; by evening services held in the chapel, by regular Bible classes, by quiet heart to heart talks with individuals and small groups of girls, besides the regular attendance of the entire school at Sunday school and divine service in the church. This school has never had a brighter outlook than it has today. It is just beginning to reap the advantage of the christian training given the girls, first by Miss Hall, then by Miss Vickery and Miss Bayse, and the older girls have been greater support to us the past year than our teachers. Occupying positions as teachers this year, they will be of still more value. All the other teachers we have engaged are not only experienced teachers but earnest Christians, and we are looking for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon our girls.

Of the fifty-three pupils enrolled during the year, 30 are in the kindergarten and 5 in elementary grades. This department is ably supervised by Professor Gasparini, who gives the government examination. Eight who have finished the elementary course are now day pupils at the normal school, one of them standing among the highest in the class.

Through the generosity of an American friend we were enabled to equip a room for the kindergarten and install one of our own graduates as teacher. She has not only made a success of the kindergarten, but has taught the primary Bible classes with equally good results, and though but a pupil last year has maintained better discipline during her hours of surveillance than any other teacher in the school. The work of the home has always been done by the girls, but this year it will be

arranged in a more systematic manner than has hitherto been practicable.

For four weeks we enjoyed the hospitality of Crandon Hall. During this time we became familiar with the management and methods of the institution, as well as with the discipline and spirit which pervaded it.

In the matter of instruction this school takes rank with the very best. Many of the teachers and professors have the highest reputation in their respective specialties, and the grade of scholarship which is required for graduation is not below that of any similar institution.

Connected with the scholastic curriculum there is also a religious education, which in a sensible and effective form is insisted on throughout the course.

Animated by the desire that all connected with the school should be active, christian Protestants, we have made several changes in the corps of teachers. Miss Swift graduated from Boston University, where she was beloved for her christian activity, has joined our ranks with the hope of consecrating her life to mission work, and at present has charge of the English Department. The resignation of Mlle. Roque made it necessary to renounce the much appreciated help of Miss DeLord in the administration, that she might dedicate all her time to the numerous French classes. We heartily welcomed as one of our number Miss Edith Burt, whose deep piety and facility with several languages singularly fit her for this mission.

The death of Fraulein Mahraun left the whole of the German department to the intelligent care of Fr. Bollenger, who is not only a strong moral force in the home, but who also renders a great service to the institute in her scrupulous care of the books. To supply Fr. Bollenger's place as an assistant to Miss Llewellyn in the supervision of the house, we were very fortunate in securing the services of Fraulein Muller, also a Protestant and earnest Christian. Miss Fillipini, who took her degree last year from the Roman University, a daughter of the Rev. F. Fillipini of the Wesleyan Church, has been added to our corps of normal teachers, while Miss Bacon and Mlle. Davio, both daughters of Methodist ministers, have assumed the care of the new kindergarten.

The work of all of our 35 professors and teachers has been most thorough and showed constant vigilance for the best interests of the school. My words of praise and gratitude can add nothing to the satisfaction each must feel in having done her duty. The Institute owes special gratitude to Miss Llewellyn for her efficient aid in its direction.

Our growth in numbers has come to a standstill owing to our restricted space, hence the 267 pupils registered this year represent progress in quality rather than in quantity. Only pupils who would follow regular courses of study, and who seemed most amenable to christian influences were accepted. American students and Italians following courses of study not included in our curriculum, had to be refused. We regret very much our inability to receive these young women who have come to Rome for the highest diploma the Government gives, and who represent the future educators of the Nation, for it is very evident to all that a christian influence upon them is of the utmost importance. I have, however, succeeded in interesting the Roman Branch of the Y. W. C. A. and soon they hope to open in Rome an International Home for their special care and protection.

As last year, the 20th of December, the anniversary of the dedication of Crandon Hall by our beloved Bishop Vincent was chosen for the distribution of prizes merited by the pupils for excellent work during the year. Our hearts were gladdened on this occasion in comparing the many rows of bright faced girls who crowded the large Italian church, with the handful of pupils that represented the school at the dedication of the building. Truly the three years have been rich in fruit. The pupils of Prof. Sgambati rendered a much appreciated musical program, and Prof. Tauro won the hearty applause of the large audience of parents and relatives of the pupils by an instructive discourse on "Some ideals on the modern education of women." Time will not permit extracts from this discourse which was full of rich suggestion. It was noticed favorably and largely quoted in many Italian periodicals and printed in full by the Institute.

No change has been made in the management and direction of the Music School which was frequented this year by 122 pupils and gave five public recitals and two concerts, thus providing the funds for two free scholarships to be given by competitive examination to pupils with decided musical talent but deprived of the means necessary to secure the best instruction.

Rev. A. Taglialatela who kindly assists in the religious instruction of the pupils, was compelled by overwork to renounce a part of his program—a projected course of moral lectures—which we hoped would reach many of the Catholic day-pupils. The teachers and most of the boarders, however, have been greatly helped by his thoughtful and spiritual sermons. The attendance of our pupils both in the English and Italian churches, has been continually on

the increase and we feel now that we have reached the point where we may require their regular attendance at all the church services. A short prayer is held every morning with the day pupils, but we cannot expect the best results from this service until we have a chapel large enough to accommodate all the pupils in a general assembly. The evening prayer with the boarders, on the contrary, has yielded most satisfactory results. The boarders thoroughly enjoy the hour, an atmosphere of spiritual communion prevails and the hymns are sung with enthusiasm and a deep appreciation of the words as well as of the melodies. The words of these songs carried home, promise much. We have seen just recently, an awakening interest in the study of the Bible; many have bought their own copies, others have received them as the presents they most desired. A short time ago opening suddenly a door of one of the dormitories, I was moved to find a little Catholic girl nursing a sick companion with the words of the Great Physician. It was such a surprise, I seemed to hear the Master's words, O thou of little faith! Another little one who came from a bigoted Catholic family openly says that she is a Protestant at heart; though quite young she has already acquired an astonishing knowledge of the Bible, and has shown such earnestness that even her family has been touched and interested in the Protestant belief. The mother told me lately that she had purchased a Bible owing to the entreaties of her daughter. The little one seems to have been called like Samuel and says she intends to become a missionary. Were it not for the fear of betraying heart-to-heart talks, I might repeat many conversations and quote from numerous letters which show clearly that the spirit is working in our midst. In many there is a slow transformation of the heart, a different attitude towards our religious exercises; in others a fierce struggle between old and new ideas, and in all an evident desire for spiritual light and growth.

Every Sunday morning unless prevented by absence from Rome, Dr. Burt has presented the bread of life to these hungry souls; the message has been gladly received and left a deep impression on the hearts of both pupils and teachers. There has been also unusual activity in the various circles of the King's Daughters.

From the profits of several entertainments and the sale of their own handiwork to which the members have devoted every spare moment, they have raised enough money to help support an orphan in the Via Garibaldi School and have given aid to the Creche and to many of the church poor who needed special care. Last week the larger girls arranged an interesting entertainment with a lecture on Maxim Gorki, laying special stress on the beautiful Christ-like

maxim of the duty of each individual to dedicate all his resources to the good of his less fortunate brothers.

Miss Swift has also organized a band of Standard Bearers who have taken a pledge of ten dollars a year for Missions, and she aims to keep all interested in the progress of Missions throughout the world.

We could not hope for a more satisfactory financial condition. The local receipts from May 1, 1902, to April 30, 1903 amount to lire 77,-377.03 ($15,475) and have not only provided for all running expenses —board, light, heat, taxes, service, two scholarships and the salaries of the teachers (34), but have also paid more than $500 on the property debt. We are proud to note that no other school of the missionary society has made a better record for self-support in so short a time.

It may be of interest to know some of the opinions expressed by those who have the best opportunities to know the standing of the school. The Inspector for Public Instruction in Rome says of it: "Crandon Institute is without doubt the best private institution in Rome, and the Government schools seem like prisons after seeing its bright, airy rooms. The superintendent of studies in the Government schools said to a teacher, 'You are fortunate to have a position in Crandon Institute, for it is one of the best in Rome. A lady of culture and wide experience, a member of the Waldensian Church said, 'Crandon Institute is accomplishing the best evangelical work ever done in Rome, and the only work the clericals fear.' "

The Kindergarten and day nursery are cared for by Mrs. Burt who has two Italian assistants. Sixty little children are every day the recipients of its care and instruction. They are taught the kindergarten games, learn to sing, listen to simple Bible lessons and are served with an abundance of good wholesome food. For this care and instruction and oversight, the parents of the children pay for each, one cent a day. This is surely an inexpensive institution so far as its patrons are concerned.

MRS. F. P. CRANDON, *Official Correspondent.*

MEXICO

Woman's Work Commenced 1874.

MISSIONARIES

Mexico City.
HARRIET L. AYRES,
ALICE W. KURTZ,
LAURA TEMPLE.

Pachuca.
IDA BOHANNON,
HELEN HEWITT.

Puebla.
*ANNA R. LIMBERGER,
CAROLINE M. PURDY,

Guanajuato.
EFFIE M. DUNMORE,
M. ALICE MOORE.

*Home on leave.

The W. F. M. S. has work in twelve stations in the Republic of Mexico, the four Boarding schools are in Mexico City, Pachuca, Puebla, and Guanajuato. Pachuca, one of the largest girls schools in our mission, is arranged for but few boarding pupils; Mexico City and Puebla give normal instruction, and Guanajuato is about to open a Bible-woman's Training School additional to its boarding and day school.

MEXICO CITY. In April Miss Laura Temple, of New York Branch, entered upon the duties as principal in the school in Mexico City, and has been most successful in her management. Miss Ayres is preparing to enter more directly into evangelistic work, and thus fulfill a long cherished desire of her heart. This school has grown far beyond the capacity of the building bought twenty years ago and has become very crowded and inconvenient; recently it has been sold for nearly three times the amount of its original cost, and another property bought in a cheaper part of the city, which all the mission think very desirably located, and on which it is the intention to build immediately. During the absence of Miss Bohannon of Pachuca, on health vacation, Miss Hewitt who had had charge of the English department, took the superintendence of the native school, and after Miss Bohannon's return she took a short vacation, and will soon go back to Pachuca to assist in the same institution.

PUEBLA is continually increasing in influence and prosperity as a normal school, the expense of much of its growing efficiency is met from self support. A higher grade English class has been made necessary by the large number who are asking instruction in that language; Miss Limberger has the general oversight of the school, with several classes, Miss Purdy teaches Natural Science, General History, two English classes in the normal school, and

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with Miss Limberger keeps in close touch with the spiritual life of the girls, eleven of whom united with the church in the last year. Miss Juana Palacios, after having given a year to additional study in Boston, returned to Puebla refreshed morally, intellectually and spiritually; she has organized an Alumnae Association, which had its first meeting last spring. It was inspiring to see that these graduates of other years had developed into intelligent christian women. They not only brought gifts to the school, but formed themselves into a society for the support of a scholarship, an additional course of study, and the formation of night schools for mothers who do not know how to read or write. Two teachers of special branches from the States, are maintained by tuition fees from their pupils, and a third will probably be added on the same terms.

The new building at Guanajuato is progressing, and is only waiting for additional funds for its completion, and already it is occupied by teachers and pupils.

In Mexico 1626 scholars are under instruction in our different schools, 63 teachers are employed, 57 of whom are members of our church.

The statesmen of the present day look to the Pacific Ocean as the arena of action of the world's nations in the near future. Our own Government cannot be a silent or uninterested looker-on in any event that ruffles its waters. Mexico is a part of North America, and the Pacific washes nearly three thousand miles of its western coast. If there should come trouble in this western ocean, Mexico should be one with us in aim and achievement. As christian moral questions underlie all conflicts of the present century, the United States and Mexico should be one on all points involving these, as well as political results. Too long we have suffered our sister Republic to work her own way out of superstition forced upon her by a Medieval European nation; she has aroused herself, and is shaking off the incubus of sixteenth century ideas; we have not addressed ourself to her help as we should. What is demanded of our W. F. M. S. is to hasten the propagation of the truth as it is in Christ Jesus. We must educate her young women, we must give them the Bible, our Evangelists must reach every family.

Many years ago a woman took her stand just outside of our boundary line, and poured Bibles into Mexico, it was all she could do then, but it prepared the way for our schools and Christian work. Women's hearts are needed to touch the hearts of Mexican mothers with a live coal from the altar of God's truth, and help bring into one faith the country where God has planted the banner of the free.

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SOUTH AMERICA

Woman's Work Organized 1874.

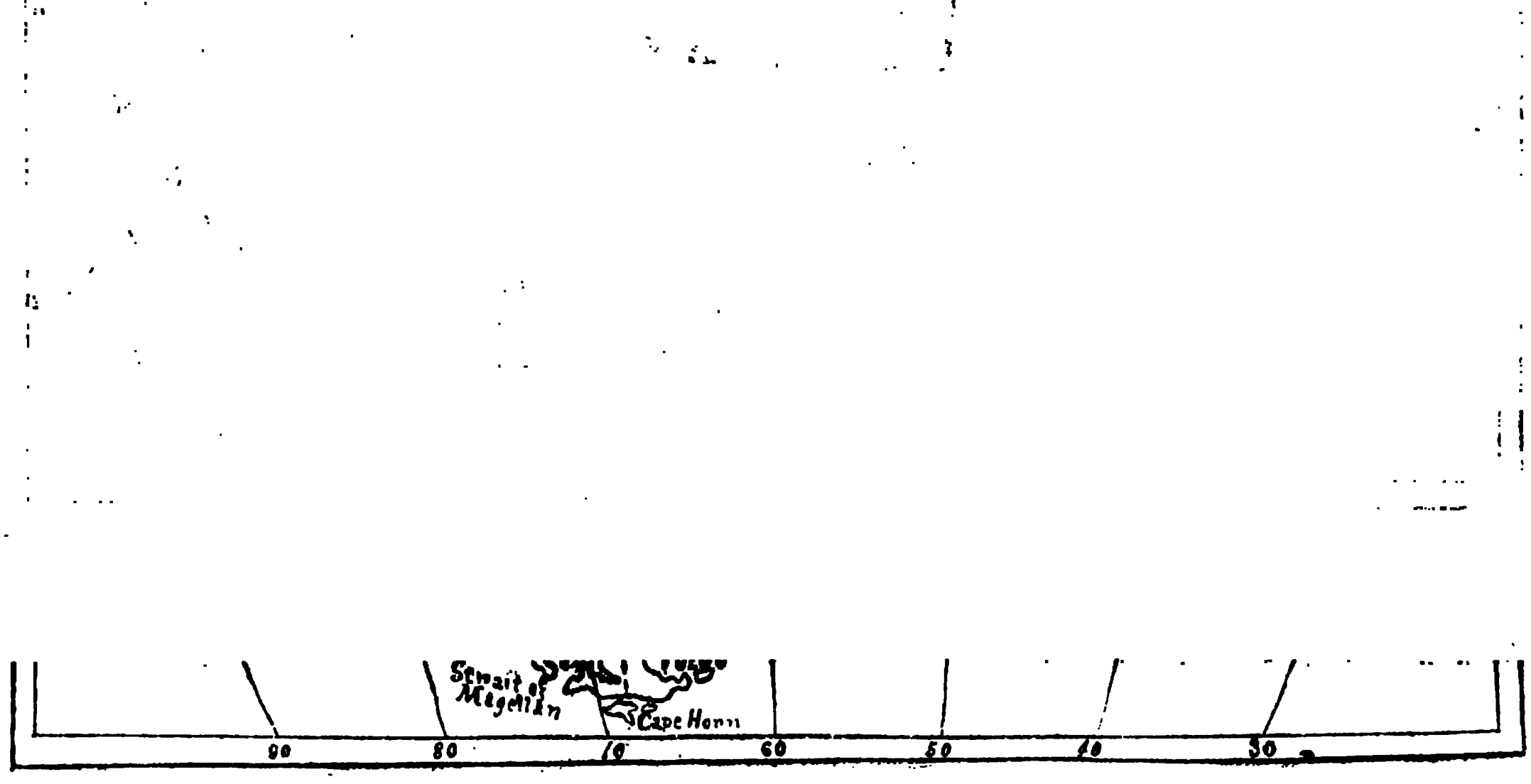
Conference Organized 1893.

MISSIONARIES

Rosario.	*Buenos Ayres.*
MARY F. SWANEY.	ELEANOR LE HURAY
Montevideo.	
ELIZABETH HEWETT.	BERTHA E. KNEELAND.
Lima, Peru.	
ELSIE WOOD.	BERTHA WOOD.

MONTEVIDEO. The school opened favorably, more pupils being enrolled than at the same time last year. The visit of Bishop and Mrs. Joyce was a great blessing to the school. Miss Hewett writes: "The first Sunday after they left us I talked with my probationers' class of Spanish girls, trying to impress them with the importance of each one working if we realize the revival that the Bishop prayed for. Each girl at my request offered prayer, the first time they had prayed in public. I so much enjoy the work among the Spanish people. In breaking away from Romanism, they seem as hungry for the gospel as the people in real Pagan lands."

Miss Hewett works indefatigably in the school teaching from ten to four each day with the exception of two half hours spent in visiting classes. By her own testimony she seems never to be tired. Last February Miss Kneeland on account of illness was ordered to the country for two months much to her sorrow. During her absence Mrs. Craver and Mrs. Batheson took charge of her classes. She returned somewhat benefited by the change, and resumed her work but under some disadvantages. So many boarding pupils came into the school that she was obliged to give up her room and for four weeks went to the neighbors to sleep, taking her meals in the school. Later she took a room at the Boys' School with Dr. Long. From this we can see that the school is crowded and more room needed for comfort and effectiveness. Miss Kneeland writes that all of our graduates of last year are at work either here or in other schools. Some of the girls have been received into the church on probation this year. The work is going forward and the seed sown is bearing fruit. Later news from Miss Kneeland shows that her health is not greatly improved and she will probably be obliged to return to this country at no distant day. Both missionaries plead earnestly for a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helper who shall be proficient in Primary and Kindergarten methods in order to train some of our girls for this kind of work.

BUENOS AYRES. Our school property in this city is rented and the work has been greatly hampered through inadequate accommodations, the school rooms being dark, the dormitories crowded and the roofs leaky, endangering the health of both pupils and teachers. Through an increased appropriation for rent, the owner of the house was enabled to build an addition which was sorely needed. Miss LeHuray says: "The building is just completed and will be occupied as soon as we can get our new school furniture out of the custom house. This building occupies two sides of a square in a garden nearly half a block in length. It is but one story high and the new rooms have a corridor some seventy five feet long. We have twenty-two rooms, two bath rooms and a store room. The rooms are large as is apt to be the case in this country, and as the house is brick with thick walls, cool and pleasant even in the heat of summer. The school rooms seat about one hundred and fifty children. We have enrolled one hundred and two since March and could have had more had our rooms been ready at the beginning of the term. Of these twenty-six are boarding and scholarship girls. We educate thirty children entirely free. Our conference lays great stress upon this point, also the city board of education under whose authority we work. We send them monthly and quarterly reports and are subject to their inspection at stated intervals. As we are thirteen blocks from the Spanish church and still farther from the English church, it is our intention to hold services twice a week in the new communicating school rooms. Many of the poorer Italians live just down the hill from us and we want a service within easy distance of them, hoping that at the same time it will be of great benefit to the girls resident in the house. The Italian pastor is lately out from Rome, and is a man who draws the people, and having no church of his own he makes use of private houses for services in many parts of the city. Two Bible-women, also Italians, are employed under our society. As one of the main objects of our school is to prepare Protestant teachers for our work, we always have some girls in the Normal School that they may get a government diploma. We have five such this year, and as four of them are members of the church, we hope much from their future." An earnest plea comes for at least one more teacher.

ROSARIO. "I have been waiting, hoping for a telegram that should say, 'Build.' As nothing has come I can only continue waiting for letters now," so writes Miss Swaney, our efficient worker

in this place, in December last. From the above we may know the conditions in Rosario, and as yet we have heard of no definite move towards erecting a new building although a loan was authorized. If a new building is not soon to be erected the need for repairs in the one now occupied is imperative. The floors are in bad condition and the dampness is a constant menace to health. Charcoal braziers are used to dry the bedding during the day and the little wood-stove in the office which is also the sitting room saves the books. The school year closed with 200 girls in the two schools. The school had one grade higher than any previous year, the grade preparatory to the normal course. The various members of the class gave promise of usefulness. Two were to enter the National Normal School for the regular course. Another from a good family expected to go to Germany for training in Kindergarten work, a fourth was to devote herself to music in the Rosario Conservatory, two more might remain in the school as assistant and pupil teacher. Miss Swaney reports further: "Our schools are working as usual since the 9th of March. That in Laprida is up to last year's mark. The charity school is full to overflowing and many are turned away. We are doing good teaching and, I think, good christian work. The Home has only the scholarship girls. We can take no others till we build. One of our teachers who was the first girl received on scholarship, was married in May. Her husband is liberal though not openly a christian. She expects to open a school and Sunday school in the suburb in which they live. It will be a little lamp in a dark corner." Miss Swaney closes her letter as follows: "I am impressed that our work must be more than ever christian; spiritual for the forming of character." From another source we quote: "In Latin America the stirrings toward religious and civil liberty are almost everywhere manifest. Romanism has been tried and has been found wanting. It has met the need neither for social nor for individual regeneration. The numerous republics of South America and Mexico are throwing off the yoke of Rome to the extent that never since the beginning of the Roman Catholic ascendency have there been such promising opportunities for evangelical occupation."

MARY E. HOLT, *Official Correspondent.*

AFRICA

Work Opened in 1899.

MISSIONARIES

Quessua.

SUSAN COLLINS.

Old Umtali.

MRS. HELEN E. RASMUSSEN.

Inhambane.

VIRGINIA R. SWORMSTEDT.

It is not generally known that Africa was the first field to which general missionary society directed its labors, but the fatality to ionaries was so great that this work has never been pushed there has been in other countries. In "The Price of Africa," which the leading volume in the study of our mission classes a year the opportunities to win that land for Christ are presented with r. "From the beginning of the christian era it has been a bat- ground where christianity has had its hardest fight." Another not generally known is that in apostolic times the christian ch was planted in Africa and by the middle of the second cen- christian churches were found in every important town and city. e was intellectual leadership in the earlier centuries that would pare favorably with later times; but the battle was not pushed ie gates, and the title "The Neglected Continent" has been ap- riately applied to this great field. Later developments in our are convincing, that the time is now ripe for the evangelization at great country. True it was bathed in the blood of early mar- but today as never before Africa is stretching out her hands God. The last year has been one of unusual success and fail-

QUESSUA. At this place Miss Collins has had a fairly year. The new buildings have been finished, and the girls made a good advance in intellectual and spiritual life, though umbers are still small. Where girls bring a certain number of s in the markets, and therefore are valuable as property, we t soon hope to have large orphanages.

Miss Collins begs for help and thinks if she had a strong chris- woman to leave in charge of the school, she could go out among ople and gather in the girls. Her letters are full of christian ge.

OLD UMTALI. Not so cheering is the account from Rhodesia. where Cecil Rhodes especially favored the founding of a new e there has been everything to discourage in establishing

God's kingdom. The girls whom Mrs. Rasmussen had so faithfully taught went home and did not return, and they had been such a short time in her care that she felt discouraged as to any steadfastness in their christian lives. On the East coast the difficulties in securing native girls in this region are very great and can be only gradually overcome. Mrs. Rasmussen is well and full of plans for the future. Her most satisfactory work during the past two years, Bishop Hartzell says, has been in mastering the native Chikaranga language. and in preparing an English-Chikaranga vocabulary.

INHAMBANE. Miss McAllister is to return to Africa this fall but is appointed to the East coast. With her will go Miss Swormstedt of Cincinnati Branch. Bishop Hartzell has made us a most generus offer. They will give us free of rent a large building for the school and home for the missionaries until such time as we can erect buildings ourselves. He has secured the support of thirty girls for five years at fifteen dollars a year, and at this station there seems to be no trouble to secure the girls for training. When we are ready to build Bishop Hartzell offers one thousand dollars toward a five thousand dollar school building. He has in hand twenty-five hundred dollars which he will turn over to our society for the use of a medical missionary, when we are able to send one to Liberia.

One valuable feature of the training given these African girls is. that they are not only learning the text-books but are trained in domestic duties, and fast acquiring what has never been known in Africa, the ability to found and conduct a christian home.

Mrs. Camphor, of Monrovia, tells of a little girl who sat sewing, one day, and asked "What is it to be a christian?" When her question was answered satisfactorily, she said, "I will try to be a christian so that when I am a woman, I can tell my people about Jesus, and tell them that he even loves Golah people. They do not know about Sunday. They cut rice and work on the farm, or hunt or fish, and do the same things on Sunday that they do other days. When I am a christian and a woman I will tell them better."

It made my heart leap for joy to hear this child recently taken out of heathenism express herself. What a power for good it would be in the years to come if only fifty or a hundred of these girls were sent out through the country thoroughly trained for their Lord's service.

If our christian women at home could see the condition of these African women, they would give themselves without stint to the uplifting of our heathen sisters in this land. The church of Christ

is just beginning to put forth her might for the redemption of Africa, but, already, the work being carried on in that continent should silence any doubting Thomas who objects to further investment of life and treasure.

MRS. M. S. HUSTON, *Official Correspondent.*

SWITZERLAND, NORTH AND SOUTH GERMANY

When a year ago these conferences were found to have made an advance of over $200.00, due greatly to the inspiration of seeing and hearing Miss Lebeus, none of us dared hope for a further advance this year. Our joy and gratitude may be imagined when we found that though one conference reported a slight decrease the others had made enough advance to make a net increase of $50.00 for the whole.

The Conference in Switzerland has made slow but continuous advance for the last nine years. South Germany advanced for some years, but then came four years of continuous decrease until last year the phenomenal increase of 37 per cent. was reported. North Germany has fluctuated more or less, but last year reported a gain of over 15 per cent, and follows with another gain this year of 48 per cent. This, following a reduction of appropriations there of over 50 per cent, is certainly reason for singing praises to Him who has been with us in all this work.

Conditions in Europe are so different. Money is scarcer, and obligations to the State church so heavy that an aggregate of $1,220.78 from these conferences represents more of real self-denial and missionary zeal than we here are able to realize. The Lord will not leave unheeded the many prayers that accompany the thousands of contributions that go to make up this sum. More and more interest is being shown in special work. Children's bands, Sunday-schools, Deaconesses and private individuals report at present two Bible-women and six scholarships.

The appropriation given to Switzerland helps to support Bible-women in four places, Lansanne, Zürich, Herisan and Adlisweil. These go about visiting, nursing the sick, helping the poor, holding meetings with children, with factory girls, or with mothers, trying in every way to win souls for the Master. Conversions through their efforts are not infrequent.

South Germany received no appropriation, but nobly did their best to help themselves in order that so much more may be sent to their heathen sisters.

In North Germany the work, in Berlin, formerly supported by our society is being carried on with the help of gifts from private individuals, and the appropriation given to that conference helps to support one Bible-woman in Schneeberg and Chemnitz.

A very urgent request, heartily endorsed by Bishop Vincent, comes from this conference for the establishment of a school in Neusatz Bacska, South Hungaria, similar to our school in Lovetch Bulgaria. In that country where so many are turning from Rome to Protestantism there seems great need for a school of this kind for the daughters of those who are able and anxious to provide a better education for them than the elementary government schools provide, but who are not willing to send them to the schools of the Roman Catholic Church.

The conviction is expressed that such a school would meet its own expenses when once in running order.

Praising God for His very present help and blessing in the past year, we look forward with greater courage and hope to the future, knowing that He who has helped will help again.

LOUISA C. ROTHWEILER, *Official Correspondent.*

SUMMARY OF FOREIGN WORK.

	Missionaries	Medical Missionaries	Day Schools	Pupils	Training Schools	Pupils	Boarding Schools	Pupils	Orphanages	Orphans	Hospitals and Dispensaries	Patients	Woman's Colleges	Kindergartens	Christian Women Under Instruction	Nonchristian Under Instruction	Homes for Homeless Women	Deaconesses	Deaconesses Homes
North India	21	2	196	3 145			12	730	3	456	12	27 171	1		7,596	12 076	1	5	4
North West India	10	2	147	1,649	1	53	6	296	3	521	1	24 700			9,816	4 322		4	2
South India	12		12	516			2	113	4	832					392	2,943	3	3	1
Bombay	14		40	992			4	43	6	1,002	1	14 620					1		
Burma	7		1	80			2	100	1	50		26,391							
Benga	12		7				3	150											
Malaysia	9		5	233			3	88						2	35	92	1	3	2
Philippine Islands	1																		
Foochow Conference	20	4	22	1,274	6	115	5	362	1	34	4								
Hing Hua	7		30	394	2	47	3	109										2	
North China	14	5	5	61			4	165			8	14 161							
Central China	17	4	2		2	25	8	150			9	27 180							
West China	6	1	2	25	2		1	40			1	1,000						6	1
Central Japan	15		7	833	1	26	4	210											
North Japan	6		5	300	3		2	80						1					
South Japan	8		1	35	1		3	346	1	20			1	1					
Mexico	8		8	388	1		4	1,238						2					
South America	5		2		2		2	100											
Bulgaria	2		1	17			1	65											
Italy	4						2	292											
Korea	17	4	6		6	125	1	50			4	8,142							
Africa	2						1		1	17									
	217	22	537	9,912	21	391	67	4,442	20	2,416	30	153,365	2	6	16,839	19,933	6	23	10

Appropriations for 1903-1904.

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

NEW ENGLAND BRANCH.

North India.

Naini Tal, Schools, Conveyance and Teachers (one-half)...	$ 104
Dwarahat, Assistant	110
Three Scholarships, $20.....	60
Pithoragarh, Assistant, Miss McMullen	240
Two Scholarships, $20	40
Conveyance	60
Repairs	50
Bareilly, Scholarships	300
Hospital bed	20
Shahjahanpur, Miss Organ	650
Moradabad, First Assistant.....	240
Scholarships $15	720
2 Agra Medical Scholarships ...	80
12 City Schools	168
Inspectress	60
Conveyance	84
Bible Readers	104
Mrs. Parker's itinerating	33
Assistant for City Work	200
Sambahl	950
Bijnour, Second Assistant	180
10 Scholarships $15	150
City Workers	60
Conveyance	66
Circuit Bible Readers and Teachers	110
District Work	686
Mrs. Mansell's itinerating	50
Lucknow College, Miss Siddall's outfit, passage and salary	1000
Miss Nichols, Home salary....	350
2 Memorial Scholarships	80
Gonda, Miss Ruddick	500
Rent	100
Total for North India	$7,655

North West India.

Cawnpore, First Assistant	$220
10 Scholarships $15	150
Assistant (one-half)	110
2 Scholarships, High School....	80
Meerut, First Assistant	240
Muttra, First Assistant	240
Conveyance	33
13 Scholarships, $15	195
Total for N. W. India....	$1,268

Bombay.

Bombay, 5 Scholarships, $20	$100
Basim, 45 Scholarships, $15	675
Assistant	200
Well	200
Bible Readers	100
Conveyance and itinerating	100
Tent for itinerating	50
Total for Bombay	$1,425

South India.

Raipur, Miss Harvey	$450
House Expenses	125
Conveyance	60
Haiderabad, City Schools	275
Mrs. Somerville	260
4 Scholarships, $20	80
Madras, Miss D'Jordan	260
Miss Young	260
10 Scholarships, $20	200
Conveyance	80
Meenambal	100
Total for South India	$2,150

Bengal.

Darjeeling, Miss Knowles	$350
Total for Bengal	$350

Malaysia.

Singapore, Miss Hemingway's salary and traveling expenses.	$675
7 Scholarships, $20	140
Miss Meyer	210
Rent, Teluk Ayer	180
Conveyance	120
Teacher	90
Penang, First Teacher, Girls' School	180
Total for Malaysia	$1,595

Korea.

Seoul, Miss Paine	$750
House steward	50
West Gate Day School	40
Fuel	175
Repairs, Scranton Home	25
12 Scholarships Ewa Haktung	420
Total for Korea	$1,460

North Japan.

Hakodate, Teacher of Literature	$270
Pupil Assistant	60
7 Scholarships, $40	280
Hirosaki, Teacher, third and fourth grades	100
Bible Reader	90
Assistant	60
Total for North Japan	$860

Central Japan.

Yamagata, Bible Reader	$90
Aoyama, 9 Scholarships, $40	360
Science Teacher	234
Harrison Industrial School, 2 Scholarships, $40	80
Yokohama, 7 Scholarships, $40	280
Preparatory Teacher	75
Ground Rent	60
Insurance	200
Fuel and Lights	75
Bible Reader, Mrs. Inagaki	90
Repairs	120
Yamabukicho Day School	600
Yamabukicho Kindergarten	50
Literary Work	35
Nagoya, Chinese and Japanese Teacher (one-half)	125
Sewing Teacher	150
Matron	75
Total for Central Japan	$2,699

South Japan.

Nagasaki, 7 Scholarships, $40	$280
Total for South Japan	$280

North China.

Peking, Miss Young	$750
Miss Gilman	650
Tartar City Day School	50
Medical Work	200
27 Scholarships, $30	810
Tientsin, 1 Scholarship	30
Ch'ang Li, Dr. Terry	650
Miss Glover	750
Day Schools	75
Station Class and Country Work	150
Hospital and Dispensary	275
Country Medical Work	150
18 Scholarships, $30	540
Total for North China	$5,080

West China.

Chentu, Miss Collier	$450
3 Scholarships, $20	60
Chung King, 4 Scholarships, $20	80
Bible Reader	30
Total for West China	$620

Central China.

Nanking, 7 Scholarships, $25	$175
Day School	40
Total for Central China	$215

Foochow.

Foochow, Boarding School	$240
2 Orphans, $30	60
Ku Cheng, Woman's School	150
Bible Reader	50
Day School	25
Repairs	20
Hai Tang, Woman's School	300
Day Schools and Traveling	240
Iong Bing, Miss Hartford	750
Repairs and Rent	50
Total for Foochow	$1,885

Hing Hua.

Ing Chung, Miss Todd	$600
Miss Marriott	600
Bible Reader	75
Total for Hing Hua	$1,275

Bulgaria.

Lovetch, 2 Scholarships, $40	$80
Matron and other service	220
Taxes	25
Total for Bulgaria	$325

Italy.

Rome, 5 Scholarships, Via Garibaldi	$250
Total for Italy	$250

South America.

Buenos Ayres, Rent	$200
Assistant Teacher	200
Scholarship	83
Rosario, Assistant	400
2 Scholarships, $100	200
School supplies	30
Repairs and taxes	200
Furniture	50
Montevideo, Miss Kneeland	750
Scholarships	100
Taxes	150
Insurance	40
School supplies	100
Total for South America	$2,503

Mexico.

Mexico City, 3 Scholarships, $50	$150
School supplies	250
Bible Reader	105
Miraflores, Native Teacher	240
Assistant	210
Porter	70
Pachuca, Native Teacher	200
Assistant	200
Scholarship	50
Water Tax and Repairs	80
Puebla, Native Teacher	500
3 Scholarships, $50	150
Total for Mexico	$2,205

SUMMARY.

North India	$7,655
North West India	1,268
Bombay, India	1,425
South India	2,150
Bengal, India	350
Malaysia	1,595
Korea	1,460
North Japan	860
South Japan	280
Central Japan	2,699
North China	5,080
West China	620
Central China	215
Foochow, China	$1,885
Hing Hua, China	1,275
Bulgaria	325
Italy	250
South America	2,503
Mexico	2,205
	$34,100

NEW YORK BRANCH.

North India.

Bareilly—Kumaon District.

Naini Tal, Bible-women	$64
Mrs. Newman's Bible-women	50
Dwarahat, 5 Scholarships at $20	100
Pithoragarh, 8 Scholarships at $20	160
Woman's Home, Assistant, Miss Oram	220
Support of Women	100
Industrial Work	320
Miss Annie Budden, Salary	450
Debt on Pithoragarh	200
Assistant, Miss Hayes	240
3 Village Schools	60
Training Class	100
Bible-women	60
Conveyances	67
Itinerating	50
2 Bible-women, Mrs. Newman's	100
Bareilly, Miss Fannie English, Salary	650
Orphanage, First Assistant	240
Second Assistant	220
Scholarships	1,755
City and Village Work; City Schools	133
Mohulla and Village Work	165
Bible-women	160
Conveyance	120
Woman's School, Teachers	120
Books and Incidentals	12
Shahjahanpur West, Bible-women	60
Mrs. Neeld's Itinerating	50
Shahjahanpur East, 4 Bible-women	120
Conveyance	44
Widows	43
Repairs	17
City Schools	17
Katra	48
Khera Bajhera	33
Faridpur	64
	$6,412

Garhwal District.

Pauri, 6 Scholarships at $20	$120
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman, "Sarah"	50
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman, "Eleanor Gill"	50
	$220

Moradabad District.

Moradabad Boarding School, 5 Scholarships	$75
Evangelistic work conveyance	90
Bible-women	140
	$305

Budaon District.

Budaon, Miss Kate Curts, home salary	$350
Kakrala, Bible-women	92
Binawar, Bible-women	80
Ujhaini, Bible-women	80
Dataganj, Bible-women	85
Bhamora, Bible-women	64
Aonla, Bible-women	132
Bilsi, Bible-women	106
Bisauli, Bible-women	128
	$1,117

Bijnour District.

Bijnour, Boarding School, 2 Scholarships	$30
	$1,672

Pilibhit District.

Pilibhit, Bible-women and teachers	$180
Fathganj, Bible-women and teachers	234
Mirganj, Bible-women and teachers	80
Shahi, Bible-women and teachers	82
Bisalpur, Bible-women and teachers	60
Nawabganj, Bible-women and teachers	46
Puranpur, Bible-women and teachers	44
Rampur, Bible-women and teachers	68
Sirauli, Bible-women and teachers	74
Baheri, Bible-women and teachers	100
Itinerating	32
	$1,000

Hardoi District.

Hardoi, 15 Scholarships at $20	$300
Bible-women	114
Mrs. Tupper's itinerating	24
House rent	6
Circuit Work, Sandila	56
Safipur	40
Sandi	52
Mallawan	48
Bilgram	68
Unao	80
Pahani	$ 68
Shahabad	124
	$980

Oudh District.

Lucknow, Home for homeless women, B. W. Caroline Richards	$60
Conveyance	80
Zenana and village work, 3 Bible-women	84
Conveyance	80
New horse	50
Circuit work, Bible-women	60
Sitapur, Boarding school Miss Loper, salary	650
8 scholarships at $20	160
B. W. Georgiana Dempster	40
	$1,264

Gonda District.

Bahraich, Schools	$44
Conveyance	53
Itinerating	20
Bible-women	116
Kaisarganj	26
Bhinga	63
Nanpara	40
Ellenpur and Mankapur	160
	$522

Total for North India ..$11,850

North West India.

Allahabad District.

Allahabad, Boarding School, 8 scholarships at $15	$120
Assistant	220
	$340

Cawnpore District.

Cawnpore, Boarding School, 33 scholarships at $15	$500
City and district work, assistant (half)	110
Bible-women, 18 at $25	450
Itinerating	34
Jinrickshaw and wheel tax	18
District Evangelistic work	20
	$1,132

Meerut District.

Mrs. Buck, Bible-woman, 8 at $25	$200
Evangelistic work	84
Conveyance	64
	$348

Muttra District.

Agra, Assistant	$240
Bible readers	80
Conveyance	75
Jinrickshaw and wheel tax	18
Day schools	74
Muttra, Native scholarships and Bible-women	96
Boarding school scholarships, 10 at $15	150
Brindaban, 2 Bible readers	84
Itinerating	34
	$851
Total for N. W. India	$2,671

Bombay Conference.

Bombay District.

Bombay, Evangelistic work, assistant	$280
Mrs. Bhimjibhoy	160
Emilybai Abraham	80
Mrs. Nathan	68
B. W. replacing Shantibai David	140
Bible-women and conveyances	230
Assistant Matron	50
Nurse	40
38 scholarships at $20	760
Taxes and insurance (half)	125
Miss Christina Lawson, salary	650
Miss Helen Robinson, salary	650
Miss Elizabeth Nicholls, home salary	350
Poona, Taylor High School, Miss Martelle Elliott, home salary	300
Miss Estelle Files	500
10 scholarships at $20	200
Taxes (half)	85
Bennie Cummings with Rev. D. O. Fox	25
	$4,693

Central Provinces District.

Narsingpur, Evangelistic work	$192

Gujarat District.

Ahmedabad, Evangelistic teachers.	$72
Baroda, 20 scholarships at $20	400
	$664
Total for Bombay	$5,357

South India.

Bangalore District.

Kolar, 18 scholarships at $20	$360
Miss Bertha Sherwood	200
Munshi	$ 19
2 Bible-women	40
	$619

Haiderabad District.

Haiderabad, Assistant, Miss Reilly	$220
Munshi	30
Secunderabad, Bowenpalli school	80
Bible-woman	40
	$370

Madras District.

Madras, Taxes	$65
68 scholarships at $20	1,360
Miss Lewis	220
Munshi	20
3 village and 8 city schools	466
Matron	200
Zenana assistant	220
3 Bible-women	120
Conveyance	160
	$2,831

Raichur District.

Raichur, 20 scholarships at $20	$400
1st assistant, Miss Dickson	230
4 Bible-women	100
Conveyance	100
	$830
South India Total	$4,650

Bengal.

Asansol District.

Asansol, 3 scholarships at $15	$45

Calcutta District.

Bolpur, Mrs. Culshaw, 5 Bible-women at $40	$200
1 teacher	40
2 Jhees	30
5 village schools	20
Repairs	12
Drivers and Bullocks	48
Calcutta, Girls' orphanage, Miss Smith, 5 orphans at $40	200
Deaconess Home, Miss Maxey, salary	325
Miss Maxey home going	300
Rent (half)	400
Hindustani work, Miss Stumpf, 2 Bible-women	80
Teachers	80
Rent	48
Bengali Work, 4 Bible-women	180
4 scholarships at $25	200
Shoju, Otego scholarship	15
	$2,178
Pakur, Mrs. Meik, 9 scholarships.	$180

Diamond Harbour District.

Tamluk, Miss Jennie Moyer, salary	$500
Teachers	125
Rent	35
Bullock cart	25
3 girls, partial support by Syracuse S. S., Baldwinsville Ep. L., Mansfield	35
Bible-woman for district	50
	$773

Total for Bengal $3,176

Burma

Rangoon, Emma Künzl	$80

Grand total for India....$27,784

Malaysia.

Kuala Lampur, Mrs. Meek, salary.	$425
Vernacular teacher	48
Scholarships	40
Finance Committee and Conference Transit	57
Contingencies	30

Total for Malaysia.....$600

North China.

Peking, Mrs. Charlotte M. Jewell, salary	$650
20 scholarships at $30	600
Rondout day school	50
Station class (B. W.)	50
Bible-woman	40
	$1,390
Tientsin, Boarding school, 5 scholarships at $30	$150
Ch'ang Li (replacing Tsunhua) Boarding school, 11 scholarships at $30	330
2 Bible-women	80
Shan Tung, Bible-woman, Mrs, Wang	40

North China total $1,990

Central China.

Chin Kiang, Miss Lucy Hoag, M. D., salary	$600
14 scholarships at $25	350
Medical Work	200
Nanking, 2 scholarships at $25....	50
Wuhu, Miss Emma Mitchell, salary	600
Return to Wuhu	300
Bible-woman	40
2 day schools at $40	80
Gateman	18
Rent	130
Evangelistic work	30
New Missionary, Miss Deavett.	1000
Kiu Kiang, Miss Carrie Dreibelbies, salary	600
Incidentals	150
12 scholarships at $25	300
4 day schools at $40	160
3 Bible-women at $40	120
Nurse	30
Nan Chang, 5 Scholarships at $25	125

Central China total $4,883

Foochow Conference.

Foochow, Woman's Training school (partial)	$150
Insurance	15
Miss Wells, salary	600
Miss Florence Plumb, salary	600
Incidentals	150
Girl's Boarding school, 8 at $20.	160
Eight orphans at $30	240
	$1,915
Ming Chiang, Dr. May E. Carleton, salary	$600
Incidentals	150
Medical students	75
Medical assistant	60
Annie Fealing, orphan	30
Watchman	25
Insurance	30
Hospital expenses	500
	$1,470

Ku Cheng District.

Miss Glenk's home salary	$325
Miss Grace Travis, salary	500
Woman's school (half)	150
8 day schools and traveling..	200
8 Bible women	200
Boarding school, 5 girls at $20	100
Insurance	40
	$1515

North Iong Bing District.

Miss Alice Linam, salary	$600
Woman's training school	100
Rent	50
Publishing Conference Minutes	25
	$775

Foochow total $5,675

Hing Hua.

Two Bible women	$50
One orphan	20
	$70

Grand total for China..$12,618

Korea.

Seoul, Ewa Haktung, Eunmon, teacher, Grace Moon	$ 60
16 scholarships at $35	560
Chong Dong, Bible woman, Theresa	50
Bible woman, Delia	50
Woman's Hospital, in-patients	125
Fuel	175
Repairs	100
Drugs and instruments	250
Mary D. Cutler, M.D., salary	700
salary	700
East Gate, Baldwin dispensary, repairs on Scranton Home (half)	25
Tai Sung, Bible-woman, Sarah Kim	50
Bible-woman, Hannah	50
Bible-woman, Alice Barr	50
Bible-woman, Melissa	50
Day school	50
Fuel	25
Muchinai Day School	50
Mrs. Sharp's itinerating	100
Coolie	50
Pyeng Yang, Dispensary assistants	$150
Bible-woman, Susan	50
Dispensary Bible-woman	50
Fuel and light	150
In-patients	100
Drugs and instruments	125
Repairs	100
Blind Class	60
Blind scholarship	40
Miss Estey's itinerating	200
Miss Robbins itinerating	75
Bible-woman for Miss Robbins.	50
Bible-woman for Miss Estey	50
Rosetta Hall, M. D. salary	700
Miss Ethel M. Estey, salary and incidentals	750
Miss Henrietta Robbins, salary	700
School furniture	25
Chemulpo, Bible-woman, Helen	$50
Bible-woman, Helena	50
Day school	50
Miss Miller's itinerating	75
Gateman	25
Miss Lula A. Miller	750
General, Freight and duty (half)	50
Medical traveling	75
Printing annual reports	30
Korea total	$7,100

North Japan.

Hakodate District.

Caroline Wright Memorial School, Miss M. S. Hampton, salary and incidentals	$750
School ground rent, insurance.	155
Repairs	$100
Safe for Treasurer	25
15 scholarships at $40	600
Teacher, Chinese	300
First assistant	90
Matron	115
Two pupil assistants	120
Industrial school teacher	60
Rent	25
Evangelistic work, Bible-women's house rent	40
Bible-woman, Mrs. Yamaka	90
Bible-woman, Mrs. Yoshi	45
Travel, tracts and city work	25
Hirosaki Girls' School, first and second grades, assistant	60
Teachers, eighth grade	365
Teachers, sewing	100
Teachers, sewing, two assistants	140
Teachers, drawing	60
Bible-woman, Aomori	90
Nurse girls school	55
Yoshida children's meeting	30
Monthly meetings (travel)	30
North Japan total	$3,470

Central Japan.

Sendai, B. W., Mrs. Hirabayashi.	$90

North Tokyo District.

Aoyama, Jo Gakuin, Miss Georgia Weaver, salary	$700
Insurance	150
4 scholarships at $40	160
Harrison Memorial Industrial School, 2 scholarships	80

Tokyo and Yokohama District.

Higgins Memorial Training School, 2 scholarships	$80
Evangelistic work, Bible-woman, Mrs. Koike at Mita	90
Miss Kimura at Odawara	90
Tokyo, Central China	90
Literary work, Tokiwa, etc.	150

Nagoya District.

Miss Anna Atkinson, salary and incidentals	$750
Teacher, Chinese and Japanese (half)	125
Teacher, Intermediate Department	160
Teacher, two assistants	150
Scholarship, Haru Ichiku	40
Bible-woman, Second Church	90
District travel	70
Central Japan total	$3,065

South Japan.

South Kiushiu District.

Kagoshima, Miss Gheer, salary....	$600
Incidentals	150
Miss Lida Smith, salary	700
Miss Lida Smith, passage out..	300
Miss Oshima (kumamota)	125
Mrs. Kubo, Kagoshima	55
Mrs. Tsuchihachi (Miss Kuwakubo)	100
Miss Yamada, Kukubo	85
Miss Sugimoto, Yatsushiro.....	85
Mrs. Tokunaka, Nagasaki	55
Loochoo, Miss Hori	100
Mrs. Yoneyama, assistant	35
Miss Ito	35
Sunday School and supplies	50
Miss Gheer's assistant, Mrs. Kubo	50
House rent and taxes	200
District travel and city work...	300
Tracts, papers	25

Nagasaki District.

Fukuoka, Eiwa Jo Gakko, 2 scholarships	$80
Nagasaki, Kwassui Jo Gakko, Miss Mabel Davison, salary.	275
Teacher, Japanese Literature...	180
15 scholarships at $40	600
South Japan total.....	$4,185
Grand total for Japan....	$10,720

Mexico.

Mexico City, Miss Laura Temple, salary	$750
7 scholarships at $50	350
Primary Department, Prof. Paniagua	240
French and Sewing teacher....	180
Insurance	45
Mrs. Newman's Bible,woman..	50
	$1,615
Pachuca, Miss Olivares	$170
Miss I. Osorio	150
3 scholarships at $50	150
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman..	50
	$520
Puebla, Miss M. Tovar	$150
Miss Manriquez	180
Matron	240
4 scholarships at $50	200
	$770
Total for Mexico	$2,905

South America.

Buenos Ayres, House rent (partial)	$750
Miss Eleanor Le Huray, salary and incidents	750
Assistant teacher	400
Bible-woman	100
Servants	275
Taxes and repairs	200
Physician	75
School supplies	200
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman...	50
8 scholarships at $83.35	668
Matron's assistant	50
	$3,518
Montevideo, Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman	$50
Interest on debt	100
Peru, Miss Elsie Wood, salary...	750
Total for South America..	$4,418

Bulgaria.

Lovetch, Miss Slavka Getchova..	$200
Scholarship	40
Taxes	25
Bulgaria total	$265

Italy.

Rome, B. W., Miss Tognotti, Mrs. Newman	$50
Orphanage, Via Garibaldi, 5 scholarships at $50	250
Sewing teachers	125
Matron and assistant	200
Isabel Clark Creche	150
Crandon Hall, Mary Barratt....	100
Italy total	$875
Africa, Old Umtali, Mrs. Helen E. Rasmussen, salary.....	$600

SUMMARY.

Africa	$600
North India	11,850
North West	2,671
Bombay	5,357
South India	4,650
Bengal	3,176
Burma	80
Malaysia	600
North China	1,990
Central China	4,883
Foochow	5,675
Hing Hua	70
Korea	7,100
North Japan	3,470
Central Japan	3,065
South Japan	4,185

Mexico	$2,905
South America, Buenos Ayres	3,518
Montevideo	150
Peru	750
Bulgaria	265
Italy	875
Total	67,885
Branch contingent funds	3,500

Thank Offering.

(Amounts conditional upon collections.)

N. W. India, Cawnpore debt	$150
South India, Raichur, School Building	1,000
Kolar, debt on Orphanage	250
Central China, Wûhû Home	3,000
Nan Chang, to complete Baldwin Memorial	800
Foochow, Ming Chiang, to complete Hospital	200
Foochow Leper Chapel	200
Korea, Chemulpo, Home	1,000
	$77,985

PHILADELPHIA BRANCH.

North India.

Lobha, Bible-woman	$25
Pithoragahs scholarships	80
Woman's Home	50
Bareilly, Orphanage	200
Student's wive's scholarships	72
Kindergarten	72
2 Hospital Beds	40
Pauri, Miss T. J. Kyle, salary	650
First assistant	240
Scholarships	300
Medical scholarships	40
Three village schools	96
Bijnour, Scholarships	105
Lucknow, Chair of Natural History, Miss Blackstock	300
Woman's College Medicines and Doctor	125
City schools and conveyance	135
Gonda, First assistant, Miss Edwards	220
Scholarships	60
Bible-women	140
Conveyance	80
Balrampur, Evangelistic work	160
Total	$3,190
Building in Gonda	1,500
Total North India	$4,690

North West India.

Allahabad, Scholarships	$90
Assistant	140
Bible readers	$250
Conveyance	75
Itinerating and Rickshaw	50
Cawnpore, Scholarships	250
Bible-women	88
Agra, Medical Home	340
Muttra, Bible-women and itinerating	400
Lahore, Bible readers	150
Total	$1,833
Debt on Cawnpore	$1,150
Total North West India	$2,983

South India.

Haiderabad, Scholarships	$100
Bible-women	190
Repairs on Zenana Home	50
Kolar, Miss Eva Peters, salary (partial)	60
Village schools (2)	80
Scholarships	80
Orphanage building	200
Raichur, Miss Fenderick, salary and outgoing expenses	780
Scholarships	100
Building in Raichur	1,500
South India total	$3,140

Bombay.

Bombay, Miss Forbes, salary	$280
Jabalpur, Miss Louise Heaper, salary	600
Choto Chindwara School	72
Miss Harvey's salary	80
Baroda, Miss Mary Williams, salary	600
Miss Sarah B. Turner, salary	600
Purchase of conveyance	150
First assistant	240
Second assistant	180
Matron	220
Rent and interest	400
Scholarships	2,200
Taxes	200
Training School	500
Summer school	100
Miss Nunan's salary	280
Assistant	160
Pundit for assistant	25
Itinerating	100
Mrs. Stephen's Bible-woman	50
Bombay total	$7,037

Bengal.

Mazafferpur, Scholarships	$120
Miss Moyer, salary (partial)	50
Bengal total	$170

Burma.

Thandaung, Miss C. J. Illingworth, salary	$600
Scholarships	120
Burma total	$720

Malaysia.

Singapore, Scholarships	$180
Miss Fox	200
Chinese Bible-woman	72
New missionary (conditional)	850
Rent	150
Contingencies	50
Malaysia total	$1,502

North China.

Peking, Scholarships	$120
Tientsin, Scholarships	150
Bible-woman	50
Shan Tung, Dr. R. R. Benn	750
Scholarships	150
Bible-woman, Miss Lin	40
Medical work	300
Repairs	100
North China total	$1,660

Central China.

Ching Kiang, Miss L. M. White, salary and traveling	$750
Scholarships	100
Evangelistic work	30
Nanking, Scholarships	50
Kiu Kiang, Scholarships	175
Bible-woman	40
Central China total	$1,145
West China, Building in Chen-tu	$1,000
West China total	$1,000

Foochow.

Conference Seminary	$150
Medical Student	80
Salary, Dr. Hu King Eng	450
City hospital expenses	500
Hospital assistant	50
Medical assistant	50
Instruments	50
Repairs	50
City property watchman	25
Orphanage	150
Ku Cheng, Bible-women	130
Scholarships	130
Scholarships, Deaf and Dumb Department	50
N. Iong Bing, Scholarships, 3 at $20	$60
Total	$1,955
Building Conference Seminary	$2,000
Foochow total	$3,955

North Japan.

Sapporo, Bible-woman	$90
Hakodate, Miss Augusta Dickerson, salary	700
Miss Florence Singer, salary	750
Ground rent	30
Insurance	15
Repairs	50
Scholarships	360
Kindergarten teacher	215
Kindergarten assistant	75
Blind school	150
Hirosaki, Teacher, first and second grades	65
Repairs	25
Miss Hewett, home salary and return	475
North Japan total	$3,000

Central Japan.

Tokyo, Miss M. A. Spencer, salary	700
Miss Maud Soper	550
Scholarships	480
Special teacher	250
Assistant	60
Day school visitor	75
Travel	40
Safe	25
Asakusa Day School	400
Bible-woman	90
Yokohama, Miss A. B. Slate	700
Mizukaido Bible-woman	90
Yokaichiba	90
Nagoya, Nishio, Bible-woman	90
Tokiwa	50
Total, Central Japan	$3,690

South Japan.

Nagasaki, Scholarships	$200
South Kinsui, Mrs. Takamori	90
Mrs. Lugimoto	85
Total, South Japan	$375

Korea.

Seoul, Scholarships	$245
Chong Dong, Bible-woman, Hannah	50

Hospital attendants	$ 150
Insurance	20
Bible-woman, Mary Whang	60
Salary, Miss Guthapfel	550
Miss Guthapfel's itinerating	25
Tal Lung, Bible-woman, Mrs. Ni.	50
Home salary, Miss Pierce	850
Kang Syo Day School	50
Pyeng Yang, Bible-woman	50
Bible Institute	25
Dr. Esther Pak's itinerating	50
Pong Wong Dong day school	50
Salary, Dr. Esther K. Pak	240
Bible-woman, Laura Arner Home	50
Chemulpo, Gate man	25
Day school building	100
Miss Guthapfel's outgoing expenses	314
Total	$2,454
Building in Chemulpo	$1,500
Total for Korea	$3,954

Italy.

Rome, Creche (partial)	$115
Scholarships	200
Total for Italy	$315

Bulgaria.

Lovetch, Miss Gatze Lookanova, salary	$200
Hotanza, Teacher	80
Bible work	100
Total for Bulgaria	$380

Mexico.

Mexico City, Miss Alice M. Kurtz, salary	$750
Scholarships	250
Miss H. Davela	210
Mexican Professor	360
Matron, Miss Gezman	240
San Vincento, Teacher, rent and school supplies	200
Pueblo, Miss A. R. Limberger, salary	550
Miss C. M. Purdy, salary	750
Miss Duarte, salary	240
Bible-woman	105
Teacher	350
Scholarships	250
Debt on new building	600
Tetela, Teacher	150
Guanajuato, Miss E. M. Dunmore, salary	750
Water tax and repairs	80
First assistant	200
Scholarships	100
Total for Mexico	$6,135

South America.

Buenos Ayres, Scholarships	$83
Rent	200
	$283
Debt in Montevideo	$2,000
Total, South America	$2,283
Branch contingent	$1,400
Conditional	1,466
Grand total	$51,000

SUMMARY.

India	$18,760
Malaysia	1,502
China	7,761
Korea	3,954
Japan	7,065
Mexico	6,135
South America	2,283
Bulgaria	380
Italy	315
Contingent	1,400
Conditional	1,446
	$51,000

BALTIMORE BRANCH.

North India.

Naini Tal, Schools, teachers, conveyance	$103
Dwarahat Scholarships	$42
Bible-women	60
Itinerating	25
Pithoragarh, Bible-women	80
Bareilly, Orphans	135
Moradabad, Scholarships	120
Lucknow, R. E. Robinson	550
Isabel Hart scholarship	26
Gonda, Scholarships	120
Conveyance	60
Total for North India	$1,311

North West India.

Aligarh, Bible-women	$80
Conveyance	33
Muttra, Scholarships	120
Bible-women	80
Conveyance	33
Total for N. W. India	$346

Bombay Conference.

Bombay, Scholarships	$120
Poona, Frederick Rice Memorial Dispensary	140

Compounder and B. woman...	$40
3 girls in training for Bible-women	120
1 girl in training for Nurse....	40
Jabalpur, Scholarship	20
Total for Bombay	$480

South India.

Kolar, Orphans and scholarships.	$260
Salary, Eva Peters (partial)....	45
Village schools	80
Debt on buildings	250
Raipur, First assistant	240
Conveyance	60
Orphans and scholarships	500
Medical attendance and medicines	85
To complete Lewe Foss memorial	2,062
Sironcha, Bible-women and teachers	80
Conveyance	30
Scholarships	80
Mrs. Gilder's evangelistic work	100
Haiderabad, City schools	80
Miss Ross	260
Miss Murray	220
Matron	100
Scholarships	60
Madras, Grace Stephens.....	400
Sooboonagam Ammal.....	124
Elizabeth	56
Orphans and scholarships.....	680
Guilford school and Bible-woman	65
Taxes	65
Vikerabad, Bible-women.....	72
Raichur, Scholarships	100
Rent (conditional)	200
Total for South India....	$6 354

Korea.

Seoul, Scholarships in Ewa school	$280
Aogi day school	40
Chong No day school	40
In patients	20
E. A. Lewis' salary	700
E. A. Lewis' itinerating.....	100
Pyeng Yang, Bible-woman	50
Total for Korea.....	$1,230

North Japan.

Hakodate, Scholarships	$120
Pupil assitant	60
Akita Bible-woman	90
Total for North Japan....	$270

Central Japan.

Tokyo, E. R. Bender's salary and return passage	$600
Aoyama scholarships	240
Teacher of penmanship	60
Teacher of embroidery	75
Scholarship in industrial school	40
Yokohama, A. G. Lewis' salary and return passage	600
Fuel and lights	50
Poor school	120
Day school, visitor and travel..	175
Mrs. Draper's mother meetings	40
Wall and fence	350
Nagoya, Scholarship	40
Insurance	75
Assistant	75
Total for Central Japan ..	$2,540

South Japan.

Nagasaki, Scholarships	$120
Primary teacher	35
Total for South Japan...	$155

North China.

Peking, Scholarships	$150
Total for North China....	$150

Central China.

Chin Kiang, Scholarships	$100
Kiu Kiang, Scholarships	150
Total for Central China..	$250

Foochow Conference.

Foochow Girls' boarding school....	$240
Hospital Bible-woman	40
Medical students	80
Leper work	60
City hospital expenses	100
Medical student	40
Bible-woman	25
Mrs. S. A. Tippet	600
Orphans	300
Enlarging M. E. Crook orphanage	500
Ming Chiang, Training school ...	175
Dr. Carleton's hospital expenses and Bible-woman....	50
Ku Cheng, Day schools	200
Girls' boarding school.....	25
Publishing conference minutes.	10
Official expenses.....	20
Total for Foochow.....	$2,465

Hing Hua Conference.

Hing Hua, Juliet Turner Woman's school	$300
Juliet Turner scholarship	20
Sieng Iu, Isabel Hart school	100
Total for Hing Hua	$420

Italy.

Rome, Miss Mando	$95
Crèche	35
Total for Italy	$130

Mexico.

Mexico, Orphanage	$100
Total for Mexico	$100

SUMMARY.

North India	$1,311
Northwest India	346
Bombay	480
South India	6,354
Korea	1,230
North Japan	270
Central Japan	2,540
South Japan	155
North China	150
Central China	250
Foochow	2,465
Hing Hua	420
Italy	130
Mexico	100
Total	$16,201

Easter Offering (included).

Raipur Home for Missionaries	$2,062
Foochow, enlarging orphanage	500
Total	$2,562

CINCINNATI BRANCH.

North India Conference.

Naini Tal, Sending out Miss Waugh	
Bareilly, Orphanage	$260
Village work (Miss Tucker)	240
Evangelistic work	100
Sitapur, First assistant	240
Second assistant	180
Scholarships	750
District work	320
Shahjahanpur, First assistant	240
Second assistant	180
Scholarships	750
Rethatching bungalow	100
Moradabad, Miss Alice Means	$325
Scholarships	300
Itinerating	100
Budaon, First assistant	240
Bijnour, Scholarships	135
New building	275
Lucknow, Miss Hoge	325
Miss Cartwright	500
Persian teacher	100
Secretary	200
Miss Blackstock	150
Scholarships	260
High school assistants (first and second grade)	480
Repairs	130
Home for Homeless Women, Assistant	240
Matron and teachers	240
Repairs and putting in water	170
Home salary of Miss Hardie	350
Gonda, Miss Fannie Scott	325
Repairs and medicines	35
First assistant	200
Scholarships	385
Evangelistic work, assistant	200
Itinerating and conveyance	260
Nawabganj and Colonelganj	210
Contingent expenses	390
Conditional	615
Total for North India	$10,500

North West India Conference.

Cawnpore, Second assistant	$200
Muttra B. School	230
Medical Work, Dr. Emma Scott	600
Medicines	334
Hospital assistant	150
Compounder and servants	64
Nurse	34
Six hospital beds	120
Zenana Work, Repairs	25
Itinerating and rescue work	60
Conveyances	75
Evangelistic teachers	750
Summer schools	150
Boarding school	230
Zenana work	100
Conditional	1,000
Total for North West India	$4,122

Bombay Conference.

Poona, Mrs. S. M. Eddy	$500
Evangelistic work	260
Dr. Annie Norton	650
Baroda, Orphans	260
Total for Bombay	$1,670

South India Conference.

Kolar, Scholarships	$ 340
Tax and interest on debt	308

Raipur, Rent	$160
Assistant	220
Munshi and matron	240
Scholarships	120
Sironcha, Land tax and scholarships	60
New missionary (conditional)	500
Vikarabad, Scholarships and land tax	200
Bible-women	48
Raichur, Scholarships	150
Mrs. Ernsberger's itinerating	50
Bangalore, Schools and Bible-women	250
Total for South India	$2,676

Bengal Conference.

Calcutta, Schools and Bible-women	$ 950
Pakur Dispensary, Conveyance	200
Orphans	280
Repairs	60
Tamluk, Miss Blair	325
Bible-women and teacher	225
Scholarships and added estimates	350
Darjeeling, Miss Wisner's salary	600
Total for Bengal	$2,990

Malaysia.

Singapore, Miss Norris	$72
Scholarships	240
Taxes	72
Kuala Lampur, Miss Anderson	450
Teacher	40
Evangelistic work	140
Conference expenses	50
Contingencies	30
Penang, Teacher and rent	300
Indebtedness	100
Total for Malaysia	$1,494

Manila.

Two scholarships	$80
Taxes and repairs	120
Total for Manila	$200

North China.

Peking, Scholarships	$420
Contingent	330
Tientsin, Miss Shockley	750
Total for North China	$1,500

West China.

DeWitt Memorial Home for Bible-women	$1,600
Total for West China	$1,600

Foochow Conference.

Miss Jewell, salary and home-coming	$1,000
Woman's Training School	150
Bible-women	120
Completing school building	350
Miss Bonafield	600
Scholarships	480
Medical students	80
Total for Foochow	$2,780

Hing Hua Conference.

Hamilton Girls' School	$160
Leper day school	200
Day schools and traveling	500
Bible-women	400
Sieng Iu, Woman's School	400
Day schools	420
Bible-women and traveling	400
Isabel Hart's school	140
Miss Lebeus, salary	450
Contingent	350
Total for Hing Hua	$3,420

Korea.

Ewa Haktang, Scholarships	$480
Gatemen	50
Books and stationery	50
Miss Lulu Frey	750
Chong Do g, Hester Bible-woman	50
Susanna, Bible-woman	50
Women's Hospital, Miss M. J. Edmunds	700
Baldwin Dispensary, Repairs	75
Bible-woman	50
Gateman	50
Fuel	75
Insurance	125
Drugs and instruments	225
Day school	40
Dispensary servants	75
Dr. Emma Ernsberger	750
Pyong Yang, Insurance	75
Bible-women	50
Chemulpo, Miss Mary Hillman	750
Miss Mary Hillman, itinerating	50
Priscilla, Bible-woman	50
Day school building	100
Freight and duty	50
Mrs. Cable, itinerating	25
Total for Korea	$4,695

North Japan.

Sapporo, Miss Alexander, salary	$550
Rent and repairs	300
Land and building	1,000
District Bible-woman	90
Travel of superintendent	100

Hakodati, Scholarships	$160
Shinano, District Bible-women and traveling	260
Total for North Japan	$2,460

Central Japan.

Tokyo, Miss Bing, salary	$700
Scholarships	200
Sewing and etiquette	130
Matron	50
Drawing	60
Sunday-School work and mother's meetings	50
Harrison Memorial, Sewing teacher	50
Nagoya, Sewing and penmanship	85
Total for Central Japan	$1,325

Southern Japan.

Kwassui Jo Gakko, Miss E. Russell	$750
Miss L. M. Kidwell	750
Miss Hettie A. Thomas	550
Miss Young's home salary	350
Science teacher	200
Scholarships	560
Translation	100
Chinese literature	75
Ground rent	175
Insurance	175
Art department	250
Industrial department	120
Dispensary	100
Repairs	300
Scholarships	560
Eiwa Jo Gakko, Miss Leonora Seeds	700
Teachers' salaries	800
Scholarships	240
Insurance	120
District travel and literature	130
City Sunday-Schools	20
Miss Omura, Bible-woman	100
Mrs. Saruta	100
Miss Mazuta	60
Miss Saruta	80
Miss Matzenoba	80
Miss Takanaka	50
Total for Southern Japan	$7,495

Africa.

Miss Virginia Swormstedt, Outfit, passage and opening new work	$2,000
Total for Africa	$2,000

Mexico.

Mexico City, Miss H. L. Ayres	$750
Miss Carreon	210
Miss Velasco	200
French teacher	$90
Street and water tax	140
Porter	210
Cook	75
Treasurer's expenses	60
Puebla, Miss A. Palacois	500
Music teacher	120
Porter	140
Taxes	240
Repairs	180
Debt on building	200
Orisaba, Miss Magno	210
School supplies	100
Total for Mexico	$3,425
DeWitt Memorial	1,600
Total for Branch	52,802
	$54,402

SUMMARY.

India	$22,008
Malaysia	1,494
Manila	200
China	9,300
Korea	4,695
Japan	11,280
Mexico	3,425
Africa	2,000
DeWitt Memorial	1,600
Total	$56,002

NORTHWESTERN BRANCH.

North India.

Dwarahat, Second assistant	$160
Scholarships	180
Bible-women	60
Pithoragarh, Miss Boyd	240
Medical assistant and medicines	180
Second assistant	200
Woman's Home	50
Scholarships	360
Bible-woman	30
Bareilly, Scholarships	525
Dr. Lewis	650
Assistant	200
Medical work and repairs	550
Support of nine beds	180
Trained nurses	80
Medical scholarships	40
Bible-woman	30
New closets	50
Pauri, Second assistant	220
Scholarships	200
Medical scholarship	40
Bible-women	350
Medical woman	60
Medicines and itinerating	100
Moradabad, Assistant	240
Scholarships	375
Training class	100
Circuit and village work	140

District work	$400
Munshis and itinerating	60
Budaon, Miss Wright	500
Second assistant	200
Scholarships	225
Miss Wilson	650
Schools and village work	875
Bijnour, First assistant	240
Scholarships	225
Bible-women	95
Lucknow, Miss Singh	650
Miss Brouse	650
Miss Northrup	500
Traveling expenses	300
High school assistant	240
Winslow scholarships	75
Support of blind women	75
Isabella Thoburn College	1,000
Total for North India	$12,060

Northwest India.

Phalera, Miss Greene	$600
Assistant	110
Allahabad, Scholarships	525
Cawnpore, Mrs. Worthington	325
Land rent and taxes	50
Scholarships	450
Village and mohulla work	225
Day schools	70
Building debts	500
Meerut, Bible-readers	575
Scholarships	20
Aligarh, Scholarships	3,000
Industrial scholarships	795
Widows	495
Repairs	20
Mrs. Matthews	325
Miss Murray	220
Muttra, Land rent and repairs	100
English scholarships	180
Hindustani scholarships	345
Munshis and incidentals	80
Bible-women	40
Evangelistic work	50
Second assistant	200
Zenana assistant	220
Brindaban, Assistant	200
Total for Northwest India	$9,720

South India.

Kolar, Miss Fisher	$400
Miss Woods	400
Miss Grace Peters	200
Assistant	180
Munshis	40
Matron	200
Conveyance	200
Scholarships	900
Orphanage	1,000
Madras Miss Doyle	260
Miss Z. Doyle	260
Scholarships	$400
Bible-women	120
Conveyance	100
Total for South India	$4,720

Bombay

Bombay, Miss Chovey	$160
Teachers	200
Assistant	200
Bible-women and conveyances	225
Scholarships	800
Taxes and insurance	125
Poona, Assistant	250
Matron	100
Miss Bennett	[illegible]
Taxes	90
Property (conditional)	1,000
Godhra, Miss Abbott	325
House expenses	100
Scholarships	500
Assistant	180
Matron	240
Conveyance	100
Total for Bombay	$4,945

Bengal.

Asansol, Miss Forster	$600
Miss Verneaux	160
Miss Hoskins	160
Miss Moore	160
Scholarships	1,200
Bible-women	60
Itinerating	20
Calcutta, Orphanage scholarships	360
Rent and incidentals	400
Mrs. Lee's Bible-women	100
Darjeeling, Miss McKinley	600
Property (conditional)	1,000
Mozufferpur, Miss Peters' outfit, passage money and salary	1,000
Furniture	100
Scholarships	800
Assistant	200
Matron	200
Bible-women	120
Repairs	100
Interest and taxes	200
Conveyances	100
Total for Bengal	$7,700

Burma.

Rangoon, Miss Stahl	$600
Total for Burma	$600

Malaysia.

Singapore, Matron	$ 145
Scholarships	100

Contingencies	$100
New Missionary (conditional)	800
Interest	130
Penang, Miss Jackson	600
Total for Malaysia	$1,875

China.

North China.

Peking, Dr. Gloss	$650
Miss Wheeler	550
Furniture	100
Scholarships	450
Tientsin, Dr. Martin	750
Miss Martin	750
Medical work	175
Ch'ang Li, Country work	100
Shan Tung, Miss Steere	650
Scholarships	330
Day-schools	50
Training-school	40
Repairs	100
Total for North China	$4,695

Central China.

Chin Kiang, Miss Robinson	$600
Scholarships	200
Bible-woman	40
New missionary outfit, passage and salary	1,000
Nan King, Miss Peters	600
Miss Rowley	600
Miss Shaw	600
Mrs. Davis, home salary	350
Scholarships	500
Woman's training-school	300
Bible-women	80
Day-schools	80
New missionary	800
Kiu Kiang Miss Howe	600
Incidentals	150
Miss Pierce	600
Miss Pierce	600
Miss Merrill, home salary	225
Miss Merrill, traveling expenses	300
Scholarships	350
Woman's training-school	300
Medical work	600
Nan Chang, Dr. Kahn	450
Total for Central China	$10,325

West China.

Chung King, Miss Decker	$450
Miss Jones	450
Scholarships	260
Repairs and insurance	60
Woman's training-school	80
Teacher	20
Bible-women and itinerating	60
Hospital, Medicines	400
Instruments	$50
Furniture	150
Nurses	50
Hospital beds	60
Incidentals	100
Bungalow	250
Chentu, Scholarships	80
Bible-woman	30
Day-school	30
Insurance	20
Building	1,000
Total for West China	$3600

Foochow.

Foochow Boarding-school	$220
Seminary-scholarships	50
Insurance	65
Hospital repairs	150
Dr. Lyon	600
Incidentals	150
Hospital expenses	950
Orphans	270
Hospital evangelistic work	50
Day-schools and traveling	400
Ming Chiang, Miss Peters	600
Incidentals	150
Miss Longstreet	600
Training-school	125
Day,schools and traveling	300
Bible-women	280
Furniture	150
Insurance	50
Ku Cheng, Romanized class	300
Scholarships	280
North Iong Bing, Scholarships	400
Woman's training-school	100
Day-schools and traveling	150
Bible-women	200
South Iong Bing, Day-schools and traveling	150
Ngu Cheng, Dr. Masters	600
Incidentals	150
Hospital expenses	500
Repairs and insurance	75
Miscellaneous, Publishing Conference Minutes	15
Boatman	30
Total for Foochow	$8,110

Hing Hua.

Hing Hua, Miss Wilson	$450
Miss Westcott	450
Scholarships	160
Bible-women	175
New missionary, outfit, traveling expenses and salary	1,000
Sieng Iu, Scholarships	20
Boarding school	300
Ing Chung, Woman's training-school	300
Day-schools and Bible-women	125
Total for Hing Hua	$2,980

Philippines.

Manila, Scholarships	$40
Taxes and repairs	50
Total for Manila	$90

Korea.

Seoul, Repairs	$250
Insurance	175
Fuel	175
Scholarships	280
Visiting nurse	50
Pyeng Yang, Day-school	60
Total for Korea	$990

North Japan.

Hakodate, Scholarships	$240
Teacher of mathematics	270
Teacher of science	145
Teacher of preparatory	115
Hirosaki, Kintergarten teacher	125
Odate poor-school	80
Total for North Japan	$955

Central Japan.

Sendai, Miss Heaton	$700
District work	100
Aoyama, Miss Alling	700
Repairs	150
Watchman	55
Scholarships	680
Chinese teacher	270
Literature teacher	100
Translation teacher	200
Music teacher	215
English teacher	200
Primary teacher	115
Assistant teacher	60
Special teacher	200
Fukagawa, Day school	400
Yokohama, Mrs. Van Petten	700
Fuel and lights	150
Repairs	100
Books, tracts and travel	90
Scholarships	280
Theology teacher	180
Music teacher	80
Sewing and etiquette teacher	90
Day schools	700
Publication work	75
Nagoya, Repairs	75
Mathematics teacher	200
Science teacher	200
Music teacher	110
Bible-woman, First church	90
Bible-woman, Toyohashi	90
City work	40
Total for Central Japan	$7,305

South Japan.

Nagasaki, Miss Melton, home-salary, one-half year	$180
Mathematics teacher	400
Primary teachers	50
Bible school assistant	100
City work	150
Scholarships	200
Miss Melton's traveling expenses	250
Fukuoka, Miss Seeds	700
Teachers	100
Bible-woman, Mrs. Sakomoto	75
Bible-woman, Mrs. Tenda	80
Bible-woman, Miss Saruta	85
Scholarships	280
Repairs	120
Book and industrial fund	50
Matron and night watchman	100
Total for South Japan	$2,920

Mexico.

Mexico City, Scholarships	$300
Kindergarten	400
Doctor and medicines	75
Miraflores, Sewing and drawing teacher	100
Rent, furniture and supplies	140
Apizaco, School and supplies	425
Pachuca, Miss Bohanon	750
Miss Hewitt	750
Miss Camarillo	200
Miss Lopez	170
Miss Garcia	170
Miss Rascon	170
Music teacher	160
Repairs	100
Scholarships	100
School and dormitory supplies	200
Porter	115
Puebla, Normal teacher	250
Kindergarten teacher	200
Scholarships	200
Dormitory supplies	25
Guanajuato, Kindergarten and sewing teacher	180
Primary teacher	180
Scholarships	150
School supplies	85
Porter	90
School furniture	200
Tlaxcala, School and supplies	225
Tetela, School and supplies	350
Leon, Bible-woman	50
Scholarship	60
Total for Mexico	$6,560

South America.

Montevideo, Miss Hewitt	$750
New missionary	1,000
Assistants	1,000
Scholarships	200

Taxes and repairs	$300
Porter	100
Interest	120
Buenos Aires, Rent	500
Scholarships	100
Rosario, Scholarships	500
Teachers	900
Lima, Miss Anderson's traveling expenses	250
Total for South America	$5,720

Bulgaria.

Lovetch, Dora Davis	$600
Miss Blackburn, home salary, one-half year	180
Miss Blackburn, traveling expenses	150
Miss Raichera	330
Miss Dobrera	110
Assistants	340
Traveling expenses	50
Incidentals and repairs	150
Books and apparatus	50
Scholarships	240
Village teacher	80
Total for Bulgaria	$2,280

Italy.

Rome, Crandon Hall, Miss Vickery, traveling expenses and home salary	$500
Miss Swift	600
Scholarships	200
Property	2,000
Via Garibaldi, Miss De Lord	500
Miss Odgers	600
Incidentals	150
Miss Diem	350
Assistant	100
Scholarships	300
Teachers	550
Taxes and insurance	200
Repairs	200
Total for Italy	$6,250

Switzerland.

Bible-women and work	$150

North Germany.

Bible-women and work	125

Africa.

Quessua, Scholarships	$200
Contingent	5,145
Grand total	$110,000

SUMMARY.

North India	$12,050
North West India	9,720
South India	4,720
Bombay	4,945
Bengal	7,700
Burmah	600
Malaysia	1,875
North China	4,695
Central China	10,325
West China	3,600
Foochow	8,110
Hing Hua	2,980
Philipines	90
Korea	990
North Japan	955
Central Japan	7,395
South Japan	2,920
Mexico	6,560
South America	5,720
Italy	6,250
Bulgaria	2,280
Switzerland	150
North Germany	125
Africa	200
Contingent	5,145
	$110,100

DES MOINES BRANCH.

North India.

Pithoragarh	$400
Pauri	280
Bareilly	210
Budaon	375
Shajahanpur	300
Lucknow, Miss Sircar	300
Moradabad	120
Moradabad, third assistant	200
Bijnour, Scholarships	45
Total for North India	$2,230

North West India.

Phalera, Scholarships	$45
Cawnpore, Miss Lawson, salary	600
Miss Lauck, return and home salary	600
Miss Pool, outfit, passage, salary	900
Scholarships	240
Kasganj, District	794
Meerut, second assistant	180
Scholarships	360
Aligarh, Miss Bobenhouse	600
Bible-women, city work	54
Conveyance	31
Bible-women village work	100
Conveyance	64
Muttra, Miss Gregg	325
Assistant	213
Bible-women in training	200

Scholarships	$105
Bible-women	150
Total for N. W. India	$5,561

Bombay.

Basim, Miss Miller	$600
Rent	100
Jabalpur, Miss Hyde, home salary	850
Scholarships	4,360
Evangelistic	240
Khandwa, Evangelistic	356
Scholarships	1,200
Miss Elicker	600
Assistant	200
Building	2,000
Narsinghpur	240
Godhra, Scholarships	400
Total for Bombay	$10,706

South India.

Haiderabad, Miss Wood	$600
Miss Evans	600
Conveyance	200
Miss Smith (city school)	220
Miss Partridge	280
Miss Birt	220
Matron	100
Conveyance	50
Munshis	98
Scholarships	1,260
Repairs	100
Building	8,000
Kolar, Miss Maskell	400
Bible-women	100
Conveyance	160
Scholarships	400
Miss Eva Peters	75
Munshi	19
Debt	200
Vikarabad, Miss Wells	600
Assistant	200
Scholarships	380
House Rent	100
Bible-women	72
Purchase and keep of conveyances	200
Total for South India	$9,614

Burma.

Rangoon, Miss Foster	$600
Scholarships, Burmese School	80
Land revenue	100
Evangelistic, Miss Grace Stockwell, salary	600
Miss Luella Rigby, salary	600
Thandaung, Miss Perkins, salary	600
Scholarships	280
Total for Burma	$2,860

Bengal.

Calcutta, Miss Henkie	$300
Miss Stumpf	600
Pakur, Scholarships	300
Total for Bengal	$1,200

North China.

Peking, Miss Wilson, salary	$650
Scholarships	360
Tientsin	360
Woman's work	40
Total for North China	$1,410

Central China.

Kiu Kiang, Dr. Stone, salary	$450
Scholarships	250
Medical	500
Nan Chang, Miss Ogborn, salary	600
Incidentals	150
Miss Beard	600
Scholarships	500
Bible-women	80
Furniture for Home	200
Land	75
Total for Central China	$3,405

West China.

Chung King, Miss Galloway	$450
Dr. Edmonds	450
Miss Manning	450
Scholarships	220
Medicine	300
Bedding and clothing	200
Hospital beds	45
Incidentals	85
Total for West China	$2,200

Foochow.

Miss Wilkinson, return and home salary	$750
Scholarships	400
Bible-women	60
Orphans	60
Miss Hu passage	250
Miss Ding, passage (in part)	75
Ngu Cheng, Miss Trimble, passage and salary	600
Miss Allen, salary	600
Miss Mabel Sia, salary	120
Woman's School	400
Bible-women	336
Romanized	200
Day schools and travel	420
Girls' Boarding School	900
Repairs	100
Insurance	35
Hai Tang, Bible-women	120

Day schools and travel	$160
Miss Glassburner, outfit, passage, salary	600
Building (conditional)	250
Total for Foochow	$6,436

North Japan.

Hakodate	$120
Teacher	145
Teacher	115
Teacher	145
Hirosaki, Miss Southard, salary and incidentals	750
Home repairs	25
Assistant	130
Assistant	360
Miss Griffiths, salary	700
Evangelistic	90
Travel, District Superintendent	75
Total for North Japan	$2,655

Central Japan.

Sendai, Miss Phelps, salary	$750
Interest and taxes	80
Insurance	40
Repairs	75
Scholarships	400
Teachers and supplies	300
Bible-woman Yonezawa	30
Bible-woman Sakuyama	90
Aoyama, Miss Daniel, home salary	350
Scholarships	280
Teacher	235
Tokiwa	50
Total for Central Japan	$2,680

Africa.

Quessua	$150

Italy.

Rome, Orphanage, scholarships	$200

Mexico.

Mexico City	$200
Light	140
Ayapango, Miss Concha Estrada	174
Assistant	70
Rent and supplies	50
Bible-woman	70
Texontepec, Teacher and supplies	300
Puebla	200
Orizaba, Rent	150
Total for Mexico	$1,354

SUMMARY.

North India	$2,230
North West India	5,561
Bombay	$10,706
South India	9,614
Bengal	1,200
Burma	2,860
North China	1,410
Central China	3,405
West China	2,200
Foochow	6,436
Japan	5,335
Italy	200
Mexico	1,354
Africa	150
Contingent	2,339
Grand total	$55,000

MINNEAPOLIS BRANCH.

North India.

Pithoragarh, scholarships	$240
Bareilly, Scholarships	120
Bijnour, scholarships	40
Budaon, scholarships	180
Gonda, scholarships	120
Paori, scholarships	80
Share in Lucknow Deaconess Home	50
1 scholarship in Home	32
Total for North India	$822

North West India.

Ajmer, scholarships	$220
Allahabad, 3 scholarships	45
Cawnpore, 1 scholarship in High School	40
Muttra, 1 Deaconess	300
Muttra Boarding School scholarships	90
2 teachers in training school	60
Scholarships in training school	80
Lahore, Bible reader	124
Itinerating	50
2 Jinrikshaws	50
4 Day schools	32
Roorkee, 10 Bible-women	194
Evangelistic work	8
Itinerating	34
Conveyance for itinerating	34
1 Day school	12
Mussoori, 8 Bible-women	52
Rent and teacher	40
Itinerating	10
Total for N. W. India	$1,475

Bombay.

Bombay, 3 Day school	$150
Miss Thoy	240
Scholarships	240
Evangelistic	56
Hindustani	128
Jabulpur, 2 scholarships	40
Godhra, 1 scholarship	20
Total for Bombay	$854

South India.

South India, scholarships	$140
Balance on debt	100
Total for South India	$240

Bengal.

Bengal, Miss Jacobson's salary	$325
Excess of baggage	25
6 scholarships	120
5 widows	50
Muzafferpur, scholarship	20
Isabella Meik Memorial Home.	400
Total for Bengal	$940

Burma.

Burma, Scholarships	$40

Malaysia.

Singapore, Miss Blackmore's salary	$450
Repairs on home	50
Scholarships	280
1 teacher	180
1 teacher	150
1 teacher	150
1 teacher	60
Bible training school teacher	60
5 scholarships in training school	100
Conveyance	120
Incidentals	24
Contingencies	50
Penang, Miss Martin's salary and traveling expenses	700
Miss Ellis, home salary	300
Miss Olson's salary	450
Miss Olson's Vernacular teacher	48
Finance com. and Conference transit	50
Matron for Girl's Dormitory	90
20 scholarships	200
3d standard teacher	120
Assistant in Miss Martin's absence	100
Caretaker's salary	60
2 Chinese Bible-women	48
Conference Minutes	10
Interest on land	120
School building	500
Taiping, Drains and repairs	350
Total for Malaysia	$4,820

CHINA.

West China.

Chung King, 8 scholarships	$80
1 day school	50
Medicines	100
Hospital helpers	$50
Support of beds	50
Total for West China	$310

Central China.

Central China, scholarships	$50
Anna Stone's traveling	250
Anna Stone's support	225
Total for Central China	$525

Foochow.

Foochow, Woman's training school	$40
Romanized class	100
Girl's boarding school	160
3 medical students	100
1 orphan	30
Ku Cheng, Miss Rouse's salary	600
Incidentals	150
Day schools and traveling	100
Bible-woman	40
Girls' boarding school	620
2 deaf and dumb pupils	50
Repairs	30
Balance on laundry	175
New missionary traveling expenses and salary	750
Total for Foochow	$2,945

Hing Hua.

Hing Hua, scholarships	$140
Siang Iu, scholarships	200
Conference expenses	20
Miss Nicolaisen's salary and traveling	600
New missionary, traveling and salary	600
Total for Hing Hua	$1,560

Korea.

Korea, 1 native teacher	$60
2 scholarships	80
1 Bible-woman	50
Total for Korea	$190

North Japan, scholarships	$120
Central Japan, Miss Blackstock's salary and traveling	750
Miss Lee, first year's salary	550
Watchman	35
10 scholarships	400
8 teachers	475
Matron	50
Publication	20
Total for Central Japan	$2,280

Bulgaria.

Bulgaria, 2 scholarships	$40

South America.

South America, 1 normal student.	$100
Grand total	$17,261

SUMMARY.

India	$4,371
China	5,340
Malaysia	4,820
Korea	190
Japan	2,400
Bulgaria	40
S. America	100
	$17,261

TOPEKA BRANCH.

North India.

Dwarahat, scholarships	$100
Pithoragarh, scholarships	100
Bible-women	30
Pauri, scholarships	360
Bible-women	50
Budaon, scholarships	195
Lucknow, Bible-women	70
Sitapur, Bible,women	150
Rai Bareilly, Bible-women	250
Total for North India	$1,305

North West India.

Ajmer, scholarships	$1,020
Evangelist	80
City Bible-woman	40
District Bible-women	250
Phalera, scholarships	795
Woman's school	60
Repairs	65
Bible-women	80
Cawnpore, scholarships	90
Meerut, Howard Plested school	900
Miss Livermore, salary	600
Miss Winslow, salary	600
Bible readers	650
Agra, scholarships	40
Aligarh, Bible readers	120
Conveyance	34
Muttra, scholarships	120
Miss McKnight, salary	325
Lahore, Bible readers	40
Total for N. W. India	$5,909

South India.

Bangalore, Miss Montgomery, salary	$600
Bible readers	100
Rent	400
Furniture	200
Kolar, scholarships	240
Assistant	60
Raipur, Rent	$160
Bible readers	80
Scholarships	80
Sironcha, Assistant	200
Munshi	40
Conveyance	50
Total for South India	$2,210

Bombay.

Baroda, scholarships	$80
Medical work	600
Dr. Tuttle, salary	600
Godhra, scholarships	180
Total for Bombay	$1.460

Bengal.

Calcutta, Beg Bagan	$80
Jaugraum	40
Akra	40
Bible readers	40
Traveling expenses	20
Kiddepur Bible-readers	40
Parkur building	400
Kiddepur Bible-readers	40
Total for Bengal	$700

Burma.

Rangoon, Miss Stockwell's salary.	$600
Scholarships	80
Land rent	100
Building	3,000
Total for Burma	$3,780

Malaysia.

Penang, Matron for Rescue Home	$150
Manila, Miss Spaulding, salary	750
Contingent	100
Taxes	50
Total for Malaysia	$1,050

Foochow,

Foochow, scholarships	$120
Foochow Seminary scholarship.	25
Ku Cheng, scholarships	400
Bible-readers	170
Total for Foochow	$715

Hing Hua.

Hing Hua, Miss Varney, home salary and return	$600
Scholarships	500
Building (conditional)	500
Total for Hing Hua	$1,600

North China.

Tientsin, Dr. Stevenson's salary..	$650
Scholarships	180
Medical work	175
Total for North China....	$1,005

Central China.

Ching Kiang, Scholarships	$175
Nang King, Bible-women	80
Itinerating	60
Kiu Kiang, Scholarships	250
Bible reader	40
Total for Central China..	$605

Japan.

North Japan.

Sapporo, *Otaru*, Bible reader	$90
District Sunday School	10
City work	10
Miss Imhof, home salary and return	600
Hakodate, Scholarships	240
Sunday School, rent	35
Morioka, Bible-reader	30
Total for North Japan..	$1,015

Central Japan.

Tokyo Aoyama, Scholarships	$160
Penmanship Teacher	80
Yokohama, Scholarships	80
Nagoya, Miss Watson, salary	700
School apparatus	60
Total for Central Japan ..	$1,080

South America.

Rosario, Scholarships	$400
Assistant	240
Repairs and taxes	200
School supplies	80
Furniture	50
Cook	180
Miss Swaney, salary	750
Matron	450
Interest	500
Total for South America..	$2,800

Italy.

Rome, Scholarship	$100

SUMMARY.

North India	$1,305
Northwest India	5,909
South India	2,210
Bombay	1,460
Bengal	$700
Burma	3,780
Malaysia	1,050
North China	1,005
Central China	605
Foochow	715
Hing Hua	1,600
Japan	2,095
South America	2,800
Italy	100
Total	$25,484
Contingent	666
Grand total	$26,000

PACIFIC BRANCH.

North India.

Naini Tal, Bible-women	$100
Pithoragarh, Scholars	200
Pauri, Scholars	160
Bijnour, Scholars	60
Bareilly, Scholars	150
Budaon, Scholars	180
Gonda, Scholars	150
Hardoi, Scholars	195
Mrs. Parker's itinerating	30
Sitapur, Scholars	120
Second assistant	180
Lucknow, Inspectress	60
Barabanki, Bible-women	50
Moradabad, Scholars	60
Total for North India ...	$1,695

Northwest India.

Ajmer, Miss Holman's salary	$600
First assistant	200
Second assistant	180
Scholarships	1,230
Dr. Beck's salary	600
Assistant	50
Medicines	200
Itinerating	25
Conveyances	65
Bible Readers	40
Miss Mark's salary	600
Itinerating	50
Bible Readers	250
Phalera, Assistant	110
Scholarships	1,350
Widows	800
Allahabad, Scholars	90
Cawnpore, Scholars	285
Meerut, Bible Readers	80
Roorkee, Bible Readers	55
Lahore, Bible Readers	100
Total for Northwest India	$6,460

South India.

Kolar, Orphanage Building	$250
Scholars	100

Madras, Scholars	$100
Raipur, Bible Readers	52
Workers' Home (conditional)	500
Raichur, Bible Readers	75
Total for South India	$1,077

Bombay.

Kampti, Mrs. Butterfield's salary	$220
Evangelistic work	185
Day schools	160
Total for Bombay	$565

Bengal.

Pakur, Scholars	$500
Darjeeling, Building (conditional)	1,000
Total for Bengal	$1,500

Burma.

Rangoon, Girls' school	$280
Burmese school	200
Thandaung, Orphans	80
Total for Burma	$560

Philippine Islands.

Manila, Miss Parke's salary	$750
Scholars	80
Total for Manila	$830

Central China.

Chin Kiang, Dr. Taft's salary	$600
Medical work	150
Scholars	100
Total for Central China	$850

Foochow.

Foochow, Orphans	$60
Kindergarten	150
Foochow, New missionary	900
Hai Tang, B. W and building	144
Iong Bing, Bible-women	200
Total for Foochow	$1,454

North China.

Peking, Scholars	$60

Central Japan.

Nagoya, Miss Holbrook's salary	$750
Bible-woman	80
Yokohama, Bible-woman	80
Total for Central Japan	$860

North Japan.

Hirosaki, Sunday schools	$80

South Japan.

Nagasaki, Scholars	$80

Korea.

Seoul, Scholars	$70
Chemulpo, Bible-woman, Eunice	50
Total for Korea	$120

West Africa.

Quessua, Miss Collins' salary	$400
Orphans	50
Cistern	300
Total for Africa	$750

Norway.

Christiana, Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman	$50

Mexico.

Pachuca, Scholars	$100

SUMMARY.

North India	$1,695
Northwest India	6,460
Bombay	565
Bengal	1,500
Burma	560
South India	1,077
Central China	850
Foochow	1,454
North China	60
Japan	860
South Japan	80
Korea	120
West Africa	750
Norway	50
Mexico	100
Philippine Islands	830
Total	$17,041

COLUMBIA RIVER BRANCH.

North India.

Dwarahat, Scholarships	$40
Pithoragarh, Scholarships	60
Budaon, Scholarships	90
Bareilly, Scholarships	75
Lucknow, Mrs. Ward	160
Gonda, Pupils and teachers	105
Total for North India	$530

Northwest India.

Aligarh, Scholarships	$180
Mutra, Scholarships	45
Meerut, Scholarships	450
Cawnpore, Debt	50
Total for Northwest India	$725

Bombay.

Bombay, Scholarships	$100
Baroda, Orphanage	40
Godhra, Orphanage	80
Gujarat, Village work	1,100
Miss Holmes	325
Total for Bombay	$1,645

Malaysia.

Singapore, Miss Lilly	$450
Conveyance	120
New carriage (conditional)	150
Scholarships	120
Miss Chopard	72
Kindergarten supplies	50
Bible Training School	65
Total for Malaysia	$1,027

China.

Foochow, Scholarships	$40
Miss Parkinson	600
Mrs. Stephenson	600
Seminary	150
Building	1,200
Seminary scholarships	100
Bible-woman	25
Ku Cheng, Scholarship	20
Sieng Iu, Scholarships	40
Hai Tang, school building (conditional)	$20
Total for Foochow	$2,800

Central Japan.

Yokohama, Scholarships	$80
Literary work	25
Tokyo, Industrial school	120
Teacher in wood-carving	35
Total for Central Japan	$260

North Japan.

Hakodate, Scholarships	$80
Hirosaki, Prize scholarships	40
Kindergarten	60
Total for North Japan	$180

SUMMARY.

North India	$530
Northwest India	725
Bombay Conference	1,645
Malaysia	1,027
China	2,800
Central Japan	260
North Japan	180
Contingent	133
Grand total	$7,300

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1903-1904.

	New England	New York	Philadelphia	Baltimore	Cincinnati	Northwestern	Des Moines	Minneapolis	Topeka	Pacific	Columbia River	Total
India. North India Conference.	$7,655	$11,850	$4,690	$1,311	$10,550	$12,050	$2,230	$822	$1,305	$1,695	$530	$54,668
Northwest "	1,268	2,671	2,983	346	4,122	9,720	5,561	1,475	5,909	6,462	725	41,240
Bombay "	1,425	5,357	7,037	480	1,670	4,720	10,706	854	1,460	565	1,645	35,919
South India "	2,150	4,650	3,140	6,354	2,676	4,945	9,614	240	2,210	1,077		37,056
Bengal "	350	3,176	170		2,990	7,700	2,860	940	700	1,500		20,386
Burma "		80	720			600	1,200	40	3,780	560		6,980
Total for India	12,848	27,784	18,740	8,491	22,000	39,735	32,171	4,371	15,364	11,857	2,900	196,269
Malaysia Conference	1,595	600	1,502		1,494	1,875		4,820	1,050		1,027	13,963
Manila "					200	90				830		1,120
China. North China Conference.	5,080	1,990	1,660	150	1,500	4,695	1,410		1,005	60		17,550
Central China "	215	4,883	1,145	250		10,325	3,405	525	605	850		22,203
West China "	620		1,000		1,600	3,600	2,200	310				9,330
Foochow "	1,885	5,675	3,955	2,465	2,780	8,110	6,436	2,945	715	1,454	2,800	39,220
Hing Hua "	1,275	70		420	3,420	2,980		1,560	1,600			11,325
Total for China	9,075	12,618	7,760	3,285	9,300	29,710	13,451	5,340	3,925	2,364	2,800	99,628
Korea	1,460	7,100	3,954	1,230	4,695	990		190		120		19,739
Japan. North Japan Conference	860	3,470	3,000	270	2,460	955	2,655	120	1,015	30	180	15,015
Central Japan "	2,699	3,065	3,690	2,540	1,325	7,395	2,680	2,280	1,080	860	260	27,874
South Japan "	280	4,185	375	155	7,495	2,920				80		15,490
Total for Japan	3,779	10,720	7,065	2,615	11,280	11,270	5,335	2,400	2,095	970	440	58,379
Mexico	2,205	2,905	6,135	100	3,425	6,560	1,354			100		22,784
South America	2,503	4,418	2,283			5,720		100	2,800			17,824
Bulgaria	325	265	380			2,280		40				3,290
Italy	250	875	315	130		6,250	200		100			8,120
Switzerland						150						150
North Germany						125						125
Norway										50		50
Africa		600			2,000	200	150			750		3,700
Contingent		3,500	1,400			5,145	2,339		666		133	13,183
Conditional		6,600	1,466		1,600							9,666
Total	$34,100	$77,985	$51,000	$16,201	$56,002	$110,100	$55,000	$17,261	$26,000	$17,041	$7,800	$467,990

Report of Woman's Missionary Friend

Do you ever stop to think as you take, month by month, a fresh *Friend* in hand of the "power-house" it represents? First, a great idea—the idea of aiding in the conversion of this world to our Lord Jesus Christ. Second, an army of 200,000 women representing the choicest and best of 2,000,000 women, and that, in turn, a part of the hosts of the Lord which we call the Protestant Church of Christ. Third, a power-distributing agency, establishing schools and colleges, hospitals and dispensaries, churches and Sunday-schools throughout the world. Fourth, an attempt to familiarize the reader with the best methods and best thoughts on the evangelization of the christian world.

Nineteen hundred and three completes a decade of the present editorship, a decade that has seen many a change, indicating, we trust, that we have been going on and on, not round and round. Miss Frances J. Baker, in her study of July 1903, enumerates the new features that have kept the old face of the *Friend* new and her complexion fresh. The re-naming of the magazine, historical articles and statistical tables on our schools and orphanages; a series of illustrated articles showing the contributions of missionaries our colleges are making to missions; a series of articles of international interest; the introduction of the P. O. Box, Roll Call notes, certain special funds, as the 20th Century Thank-Offering, and the Peking Building Fund, both now completed, and the Folts Institute fund still in process of addition, What is Interesting Us, Worth Reading, the Quarterlies, the Books and Magazine column, and the latest fashion of an occasional symposium, showing up the present status of a mission field. Other new features have been Tidings from fields in general, the column to meet the needs of the Literature Committee; the reports of significant meetings from special correspondents and from all over the world, as the Keswick Convention in London, the International Missionary Union, the Ecumenical Conference of 1900, the Madras Decennial and the Young People's Movement, centred in New York. Con-

tributions have been solicited and received during the decade from the best writers on missionary themes.

The Young Women and Standard Bearer page, under the gifted guidance of Miss Mary L. Ninde, whose resignation is sincerely regretted, has made our young people's work more of a reality. It waits for still further enlargement in the way of suggestive reading. Some of the many courses of study and endeavor which were recommended at the Conference of Young People, at Silver Bay, have been adopted. The carnation seems to be the popular flower, and our young women have the honor of being the first to assume it.

But with every innovation let us hope there has been improvement, and that

"All the good the old time had
Remains to make the new time glad."

Since her election ten years ago, your editor has pushed one thought: Make wider use of the printer and of our literature. And she has seen this thought promoted by the constituency until the magazine which in 1893 had 21,529 subscriptions, now has a circulation of 25,000, and a paid subscription list of 24,120, while the literature sales have extended commensurately from a few hundred to over $11,000.

An attempt has been made to publish a list of such auxiliaries as have one hundred or more subscripeions to the *Friend*. There ought to be fifty, at least, of our large city churches that could be added to such a list; at present but two have reported. Harlan P. Beach wrote the editor, during the year, "Books can never serve the purpose of acquainting the public with the situation at the front. Before they get through the press they are out of date; the missionary magazine, on the contrary, consists in perpetually bringing news from the front."

The sixth year of the magazine fund to send our best periodicals to our missionaries that began in 1898, with twenty-five responses, almost half of which were from the editor's own exchanges, sees in 1903 a list of 115. The magazine fund ought to be called a cheer-up factor of our work, and nothing calls out more gratitude on the part of missionaries.

Out of the thirty-two different magazines, McClure's and the Century have led with seventeen and fourteen respectively.

The year 1903 has seen the largest amount of manuscript received, and in consequence the largest amount rejected. Two points are always taken into consideration, availability and timeliness. Accepted contributions are as follows: Home, 47; foreign, 61; of which

3 came from Africa, 20 from India, 20 from China, 6 from Straits Settlements, 2 from Bulgaria, 4 from Japan, 1 from Italy, 1 from Tibet, 1 from Burma, 2 from South America, 1 from Korea, 2 from Mexico.

But we are by no means content with what the *Friend* has achieved. If we were satisfied, how little we would be satisfied with! At the start the *Friend* was launched beyond the breakers and has had for the most part fair winds and seas and skies. She asks only for a little more searoom in the way of still longer lists of subscriptions, larger appropriations for contributions and cuts.

The editor takes this opportunity to thank one and all for generous letters of commendation, but genuine praise is the extension of the influence and power of a thing, and the editor always feels disposed to say in response to each kindly word, "Now, what have you personally done for the *Friend* this year?"

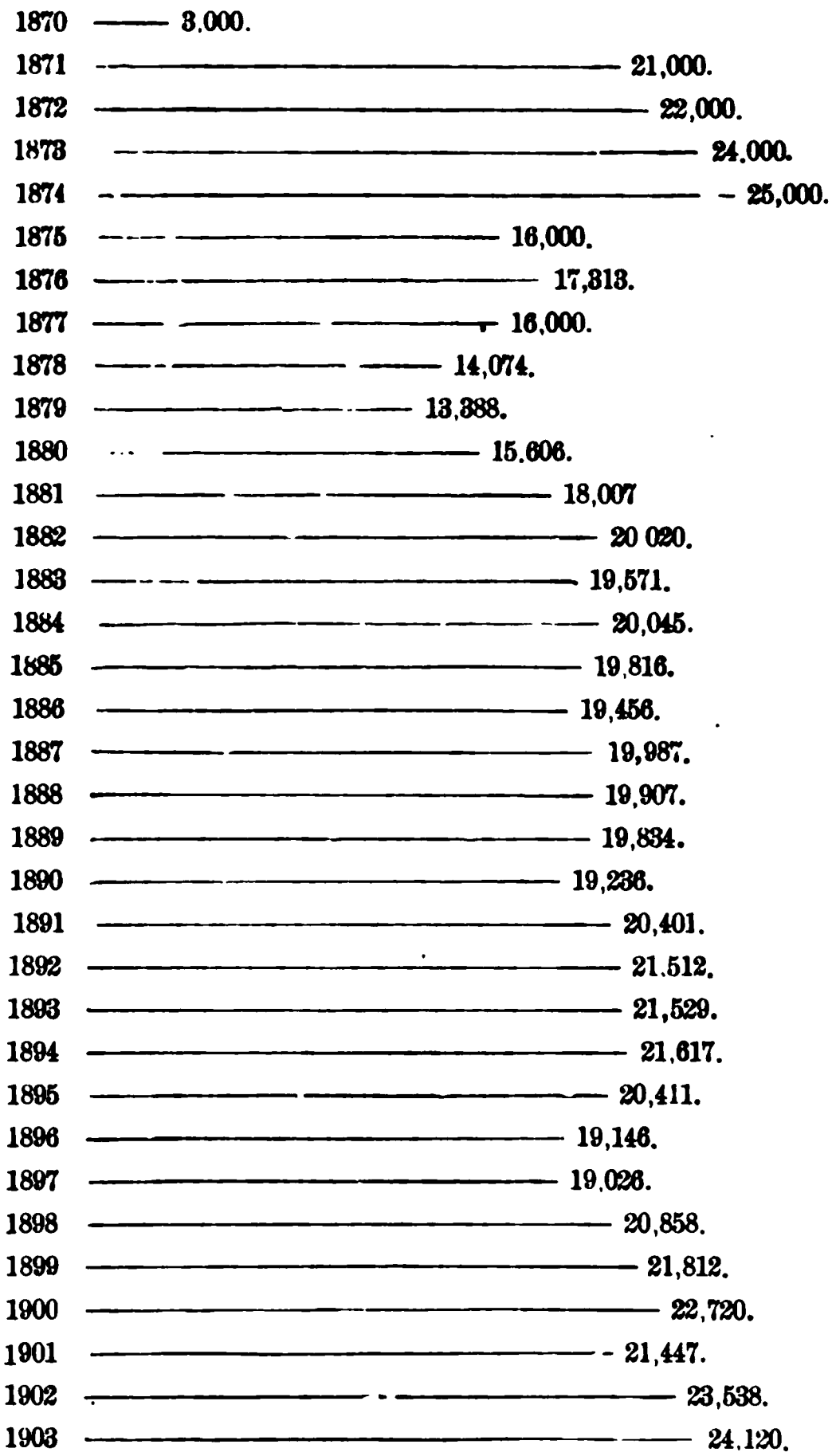
And there is another class she wishes to thank, and she fears they are not well represented here. It is that company on which our very foundations depend—those who do quiet, plodding, showless work, and neither expect nor desire to be thanked. Average work by the average member is our foundation.

It is said of Christian Frederick Schwartz, the German pioneer to India, that he set himself so to live in God as by his life, to make all who met him think of God. We W. F. M. S. women should, through our intelligent study, compel folk when they see us to think of the evangelization of the world, and the way to do it is to be a constant, thorough, prayerful, wide-awake reader of the Woman's Missionary Friend.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUISE MANNING HODGKINS.

Table of Subscriptions to the Woman's Missionary Friend from 1869–1903.



Report of Children's Missionary Friend

With gratitude for the many tokens for good which mark the history of the twelve past months, we report that in some respects the year has been one of experiment and anxiety. At Minneapolis a decided advance was made in the Department of Children's Work. A new name, new constitution, new methods of work under a new general superintendent produced a radical change, which, like all new ventures, aroused an interest quite beyond the ordinary. The cheering results of this change belong to the Superintendent's report. But one change—the enlargement of the paper from twelve to sixteen pages—directly affected the editor, bringing additional responsibility and care, while giving to subscribers just double the size with which we started in 1890.

The question was: "Shall we have a subscription list to cover additional expense?" A dear little girl wrote soon after this enlargement, "I have hurried around and got two new subscribers to help pay for the four new pages." And this was but the beginning of helpfulness which has sent the list from 27,123 up to 29,560, a gain over last year of 2,437. But alas! this generous response did not quite meet the demands, and we cannot be satisfied until every earnest friend has "hurried around" and got at least two new subscribers that we may not only cover expenses but pour a surplus into our treasury.

Before yielding to the least discouragement, however, the Branches must remember that through the Little Light Bearer life membership plan enforced by the bright faces given month by month in the paper, more than $300.00 has been given to their treasuries, our publisher generously bearing the entire expense of reproduction, thus accounting for a large part of the deficit of $90.00.

Contributions have been generously furnished by our missionaries in the foreign field and at home, but more of these are needed. Will not those who have "the gift" remember that they are privileged to help largely in training the future workers for foreign missionaries at home and abroad?

Home talent is secured to a limited extent by small remuneration, but more incidents, stories, items, songs and reports of good things are earnestly desired.

Our King's Heralds are developing new strength in many directions. Better entertainments, more original work, and a large increase in financial results are noticeable. If our auxiliaries realized what a mine of wealth lies in the ability of our boys and girls, they would be more faithful in developing it.

Our lessons in the Children's Friend for 1904 will follow the lines of study marked out for auxiliaries. The subject, "China" opens a wonderfully interesting field, which we shall explore as fully as possible.

The Children's Reading Course is a new venture for 1904, and consists of the Children's Missionary Friend, Bits of Gilt-Edged China, and Twelve Little Pilgrims who stayed at Home. The entire course, were the paper taken in clubs, will cost but $1.25. The names of those who finish the course will be given from time to time in the paper, and a neat certificate will also be given on application to Mrs. Lucie F. Harrison, Worcester, Mass.

The outlook for the new year is most encouraging. Publisher and editor will unite to make the Children's Missionary Friend a success, which it surely will be if the great constituency for whom it exists will see that it is generously supported by a list of subscribers whose numbers should be 50,000.

For this we work, plan and pray, remembering always that "The King's business requireth haste."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. O. W. SCOTT.

REPORT OF THE "FRAUEN-MISSIONS-FREUND"

When the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, eighteen years ago, decided to publish a German paper, it was filling an urgent need. Nobody who can read English need lack information in missionary matters, but it is different with our mother tongue. Though our church paper has a missionary column, and the small local papers devote some space to missions now and then, in our own church, in this country, we have no paper that is written especially to disseminate missionary knowledge.

The German is slow in taking up anything new, and our paper has grown slowly, but in all these years there has never been a decrease, and for this record we praise our Master. We have limita-

tions, of course, and can never reach the large numbers our sister papers have reached, but we are satisfied that there is still a large increase possible, and we hope it will be attained in the years to come.

It is a very gratifying fact that in America three out of four of our members, that is 75 per cent, take the *Freund*. If we combine Europe and America we have more than 50 per cent of members who are subscribers to the *Freund*, besides the 76 reported, and a number of unreported subscribers to the English *Friend*.

The *Freund* has tried to bring as much fresh up-to-date missionary information as the allotted space allowed. There was a series of articles published in which we endeavored to acquaint our members in as simple and clear language as possible with the workings of "Our Clockwork," and we hope that all who studied them know now how the small and large wheels go around.

We are very much indebted to our German Secretary for her ever-ready counsel and prompt contributions, and also to the praying hands of the hundreds of women that have been upheld in our behalf during this trying year. May God bless them and knit the ties of fellowship closer still around our beloved women of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

The increase of subscribers is not as large as last year, being but 51, and making the whole list 4,250.

Financially we have a deficit owing to the failure of one European conference to pay for this year's subscriptions.

We are very desirous of an increase in the size of the paper once a quarter, making four twelve-page issues instead of two during the year. It will then be possible to devote a little more space to homework.

May God continue to bless this as well as all other efforts in behalf of the people that sit in gross darkness.

Respectfully submitted,

AMALIE M. ACHARD.

REPORT OF THE STUDY

With the December number of the present year the Study completes its ninth volume. The year has been one of experiment in the effort to find the form that should most nearly meet the average need of our wide and varied constituency. This has not been an easy task, for the themes assigned have been so large that it has been impos-

sible to present more than a suggestive outline in a leaflet of four pages, one of which must be devoted to opening exercises.

The general plan followed in the earlier numbers was to use the entire space for a running account of the subject assigned. In the later numbers it has seemed wiser to condense the material and provide for a drill on the matter set forth by means of test questions, to be assigned in advance, believing that one fact mastered is better than a dozen in nebulous form.

With one or two exceptions, the test questions have been framed with direct reference to the subject matter of the leaflet, the text-book or the supplementary program helps.

The supplementary program helps have been classified under the head of Library References, current magazines and leaflets, the aim being to keep pace with the best contemporary literature, and to use our own output of special leaflets. In every instance it has been made possible for auxiliary workers to secure some reference literature at small expense. Occasionally it has been necessary to apply to another denomination when a leaflet upon a general theme was not found in our own catalogue, and once a leaflet was hastily compiled to meet an imperative demand for something bearing directly upon one of the earlier chapters of "Lux Christi."

The regular study column has been provided for the "Woman's Missionary Friend," but the open column of last year has been relinquished to give place to more pressing needs. Special treatment of the study for the month has been prepared for the "German Freund." The co-operation of the editors of these papers is cordially acknowledged. The "Woman's Missionary Friend" has rendered invaluable service with articles bearing on the topics assigned.

It is a pleasure to report an increase in subscriptions of 1,053.

Respectfully submitted.

ELIZABETH C. NORTHUP.

REPORT OF ZENANA PAPER

Five editions of this paper are published in India. The "Hindi" or the "Ablahath Karak" is in the square type; the "Urdu," the "Rafiq" is in the Persian type.

The first editor was Miss L. E. Blackmar, and after a few years Miss Thoburn became the editor until her last visit to America, when Mrs. Messmore accepted the work.

Through the kind activity of Mrs. T. B. Neely, a large number of cuts were sent from this country to Lucknow for use in the Zenana

Paper, the editor, Mrs. Messmore, having requested that if possible these might be supplied from this country, as those in possession of the publishers, were much worn with long use.

ZENANA PAPER FUND.

Balance on hand October 1, 1902	$372.31
Received from Topeka Branch	33.00
Received from Baltimore Branch	43.75
Received from New England Branch	300.00
Received from Philadelphia Branch (Marathi edition)	250.00
	$999.06
Forwarded to India, by order of chairman, Oct. 1, 1903	720.00
Balance	$279.06

H. B. SKIDMORE, *Treasurer.*

Report of Publisher

The experiences of the past year have been somewhat varied from the usual routine work. Soon after the session of the General Executive Committee, the publisher received the following from the secretary of the Constitutional Publication Committee.

"At the last meeting of the secretaries in Minneapolis, as Constitutional Publication Committee, a vacation of three months was voted our publisher, with $100 per month from the publication funds for expenses. The action was unanimous, and it is the hope of the committee that you will have a complete rest from the work of the office and everything connected therewith." This came as a great surprise, but I was very grateful for this recognition of my twelve years' service. It was one of the hardest things I have done in connection with the work to bring my mind to take the amount offered to me from the funds which have been held so sacred, and guarded from anything but legitimate expenses. As I long had a desire to visit the two branches on the Pacific Coast, they being the only branches which I had not yet visited in connection with the meetings of the General Executive Committee, and as my health demanded a change, and the committee asked that I have a complete rest from the work of the office, and as the Pacific coast was about as far away from the Atlantic coast as I could get in this country, I concluded to accept the kind offer, and to go west. I trust that the work of the Society, as well as my own pleasure, was increased thereby.

I want here to express my gratitude to the loyal women of the two branches, who received me as cordially and lovingly into their hearts and homes as if I had always belonged in their midst. God bless the royal women of the Pacific and Columbia River branches, and increase their number an hundred fold.

I present to you my financial statement as publisher. You will see that the expenses, after deducting the $600 which was transferred to the Investment Fund, have been $21,888.67. The receipts, $21,951.68, so that the actual net gain has been $63.01. In the financial report of the literature you will see that there has been a large cash deficit of $1,299. This comes partly from the effort to advance our chil-

dren's work in the King's Herald Supplies, involving much cost, and the receipts were not equal to the cost, but there is a stock on hand which will be available for future use.

The work of the year has been difficult to manage in many respects, because of the King's Herald supplies, and the demand for them came before we could consider what was the best thing to put forth, and personal sorrows came to many connected with the literature work, which made it difficult for us to do our best, but the output of the year has been quite creditible, and we present for our consideration the following statistics:

There have been in the four periodicals 19,365,312 pages sent out, and in the Annual Report and leaflets 5,662,200, making a total of 24,020,510 pages of literature, an increase of 2,443,312 over last year. The combined circulation of the four periodicals has been 93,084, an increase of 43,108.

I am pleased to say that the corps of workers in my office during my absence were most faithful and diligent. It would be a sad comment on my work if everything had gone just the same as if I were present, but I am sure there was no neglect that could possibly be avoided, and I think that the output for the year showing an advance on all lines is an evidence that the workers in the publication office have by no means been idle.

Respectfully submitted,

PAULINE J. WALDEN.

Pauline J. Walden, Publisher, in account with Woman's Foreign Missionary Society from Oct. 1, 1902 to Oct. 1, 1903.

To Cash on Hand		$4,633 69
" " Rec'd for Subscriptions to W. M. F.	$11,617 58	
" " " " " to C. M. F.	2,945 75	
" " " " " to F. M. F.	996 08	
" " " " " to The Study	841 90	
		16,401 31
" " " " Literature		3,982 16
" " " " Annual Reports	$727 70	
" " " " Certificates and Badges	362 79	
" " " " Advertising	124 25	
" " " " Interest on Loans and Deposits	345 93	
" " " " Sundries	7 54	1,568 21
Total		$26,585 37

By Cash Paid for Woman's Missionary Friend ..	$7,793 15	
" " " " Editor's Salary and Incidentals	751 30	
		$8,544 45
" " " " Children's Missionary Friend..	$2,777 09	
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		3,036 94
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		1,028 85
" " " " The Study.....	$751 36	
" " " " Editor's Salary and Incidentals	103 25	
		854 61
" " " " Annual Report.....	$881 26	
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		6,163 29
" " " " Publisher's Salary.....	$700 00	
" " " " Office Expenses.....	665 92	
		1,365 92
" " " " Badges and Certificates.....	$349 68	
" " " " Printing Appropriations, etc..	26 30	
" " " " Swedish Editorial Work	37 50	
		411 48
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" " " " Vacation Allowance of Publisher	300 00	
		483 13
" " " " Transference to Investment Fund		600 00
" " On hand.....		4,096 70
Total.....		$26,585 37

Examined and Approved,
A. S. WEED,
Auditor.

PAULINE J. WALDEN,
Publisher.

Report of King's Heralds and Little Light Bearers.

It has been said that "The recognition of childhood is one of the best thermometers of the progress of an age or a nation and a sure test of the narrow or full development of christianity in its midst."

From this standpoint, our Society, which officially recognized the Little Light Bearers two years ago and inaugurated the King's Heralds one year ago, has placed itself in the line of true progress.

Within a few hours after the adoption of the new name and plan, and before the close of the last general executive meeting, circulars announcing the King's Herald plan were out and distributed among the officers and representatives of the different branches, to be carried back to their several fields of labor. They could not have been placed in better hands for circulation.

This circular also contained a request that each auxiliary at once choose a committee to care for its children's department; for it is becoming more and more evident that if we wish to build upon a solid foundation, the auxiliary is the place to begin.

Not till the local auxiliaries recognize this responsibility and "mother" the bands, instead of leaving them to depend upon the enthusiasm of an individual leader, can they be considered upon a permanent basis.

The name of King's Heralds has met with general favor. Only kind words of appreciation and enthusiastic interest have reached the secretary. This proves the loyalty of our workers.

The growth of the King's Heralds in what can hardly be considered a full year is very encouraging.

We hope by the close of the coming year that all our junior work will appear as King's Heralds, even though a few may hold sacred some special name; yet let them be known officially as King's Heralds and wear the badge.

At the close of the last General Executive Committee Meeting, the new secretary of children's work found herself face to face with the fact that there was an utter absence of any of the appliances

necessary for the launching of this little King's Herald craft; hence initiatory steps had to be taken, one after another, in rapid succession.

Sincere thanks are due our publisher and her helpers for the splendid spirit in which they accepted the situation, and with wise judgment and untiring labor made ready for the King's Herald campaign. In addition to the regular work of our busy publishing office, this sudden inroad must have taxed them to the utmost; but patience never failed, and in a short time the results became manifest in the appearance of King's Herald membership cards, ritual, song, manual, constitution, organization plans and blanks; mite-boxes and badges followed shortly, and Hai Tang thank-offering letters, programs, sections of wall and Little Light Bearer thank-offering windows. Hai Tang is to be the general thank-offering for another year. We trust that the letters and sections of wall will be made free in the various branches, and that the children will be encouraged to own at least one ten-cent brick in this much needed school and home. Many are doing much more than this.

The editor of our matchless little paper, in her efforts for a general thank-offering object, certainly merits the hearty co-operation of the branch treasurers in reporting. The paper is already a great power and we can hardly estimate its influence if we do our part.

It is hoped, also, that the time will soon come when space will be regularly devoted to helps for leaders of bands in the columns of the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, or, perhaps, in the quarterlies. No one could be more cordial than our bright and progressive editor has ever been in welcoming any contributions that will help the children's work.

The Little Light Bearer page of the *Children's Missionary Friend* has been brightened by the sweet little faces of 28 little life members, eleven of these from New England and nine from New York. Others have reported whose faces have not yet appeared in the little paper, making 35 in all, New York and New England Branches leading with 13 each.

If you will look in the March number and admire the seven little faces which adorn one of its pages you will see what one interested worker can do. These are all from Newark District in the New York Branch. This same splendid worker has also been gathering memorial life members among the children. We trust this interest will be manifested by many others the coming year.

Requests were sent by the secretary to all the branch annual meetings asking—

(1) For a branch secretary of children's work where they had none.

(2) That a committee be appointed to consider the needs of children's work.

(3) That in cases where the branch secretary of children's work could not attend the Advisory Board, that some visitor be appointed, if possible, to fill the place and represent the branch.

We have now seven branch secretaries of children's work.

Very interesting folios prepared by the several branches representing its children's work will be found in the exhibit. They consist of statistics by conferences, a recital of some methods which may prove suggestive to others, a list of life members and samples of any devices which have been prepared and used by the local branch; also some papers written by King's Heralds on "Why I would not like to live in India."

We have reason to be proud of this, our first effort in this line, and next year we will show you what we can do.

The equipment of the King's Heralds' department has occupied so much of our time that very little new material has been prepared for the Little Light Bearears. To make this branch of our work more effective, our immediate needs are Little Light Bearer life membership certificates, the ones now in use not being suitable, a simple graduation service and diploma and a Little Light Bearer mite-box, which should be made free.

I would also suggest that special conferences of leaders be held in the branches wherever possible, and also that organizers of children's work be employed.

Let us follow the example of the Great Teacher, who set a little child *in the midst*. Give them their rightful place and they will teach us many lessons of love, enthusiasm and self-sacrifice.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. LUCIE F. HARRISON.

Receipts of Society Since Organization

From March,	1869,	to	April,	1870	$4,546 86
" April 1,	1870,	to	"	1871	22,397 99
" "	1871,	to	"	1872	44,477 46
" "	1872,	to	"	1873	54,834 87
" "	1873,	to	"	1874	64,309 25
" "	1874,	to	"	1875	61,492 19
" "	1875,	to	Feb. 10,	1876	55,276 06
" Feb. 10,	1876,	to	"	1877	72,464 30
" "	1877,	to	"	1878	68,063 52
" "	1878,	to	"	1879	66,843 69
" "	1879,	to	"	1880	76 276 43
" "	1880,	to	"	1881	107,932 45
" "	1881,	to	Oct 1,	1882	195,678 50
" Oct. 1,	1882,	to	"	1883	126,823 33
" "	1883,	to	"	1884	143,199 14
" "	1884,	to	"	1885	157,442 66
" "	1885,	to	"	1886	167,098 85
" "	1886,	to	"	1887	191,158 13
" "	1887,	to	"	1888	206,308 69
" "	1888,	to	"	1889	226,496 15
" "	1889,	to	"	1890	220,329 90
" "	1890,	to	"	1891	263,660 69
" "	1891,	to	"	1892	265,342 15
" "	1892,	to	"	1893	277,303 79
" "	1893	to	"	1894	311,925 96
" "	1894,	to	"	1895	289,227 00
" "	1895,	to	"	1896	285,823 94
" "	1896,	to	"	1897	313,937 86
" "	1897,	to	"	1898	328,488 75
" "	1898,	to	"	1899	360,338 63
" "	1899,	to	"	1900	414,531 33
" "	1900,	to	"	1901	426,795 28
" "	1991,	to	"	1902	478,236 03
" "	1902,	to	"	1903	492,493 82
Total since organization					$6,852,255 71

Missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

APPOIN'T.	MISSIONARIES.	FOREIGN STATION.	BRANCHES.	FORMER RESIDENCE.
1872	Lucy A. Hoag, M.D	Chin Kiang, China	New York	Ann Arbor, Mich.
1872	Gertrude Howe	Kiu Kiang, China	Northwestern	Lansing, Mich.
1878	S. A. Easton	Naini Tal, India	Cincinnati	Washington, D. C.
1878	Matilda A. Spencer	Tokyo, Japan	Philadelphia	Germantown, Pa.
1878-1890	Mary F. Swaney	Rosario, S. A	Topeka	Manhattan, Kan.
1879	Jennie M. Gheer	Kagoshima, Japan	New York	Bellewood, Pa.
1879	Elizabeth Russell	Nagasaki, Japan	Cincinnati	Delaware, O.
1880	Anna N. Budden	Pithoragarh, India	New York	Almora, India.
1881	Minnie S. Hampton	Hakodate, Japan	New York	New York, N. Y.
1881	Emma L. Knowles	Darjeeling, India	New England	Newark, N. J.
1881	Mrs. Carrie Van Petten	Yokohama, Japan	Northwestern	Neponset, Ill.
1882-1900	Anna P. Atkinson	Tokyo, Japan	New York	Cazenovia, N. Y.
1883	Mrs. Charlotte M. Jewell	Peking, China	New York	California.
1883	Rebecca J. Watson	Tokyo, Japan	Topeka	Lincoln, Neb.
1884	Fannie M. English	Bareilly, India	New York	Seneca Falls, N. Y.
1884-1900	Emily L. Harvey	Raipur, India	New England	St. Johnsburg, Vt.
1884	*Ella J. Hewett	Hakodati, Japan	Philadelphia	Gilead, Mich.
1884	Carrie I. Jewell	Foochow, China	Cincinnati	Harman, O.
1884	Eleanor Le Huray	Buenos Ayres, S. A	New York	Summit, N. J.
1884	Mary Reed	Pithoragarh, India	Cincinnati	Bicketts, O.
1884	Mary C. Robinson	Chin Kiang, China	Northwestern	Albion, Mich.
1884	Lida B. Smith	Kagoshima, Japan	New York	Syracuse, N. Y.
1885	Anna D. Glass, M.D	Peking, China	Northwestern	Chicago, Ill.
1885	Theresa J. Kyle	Pauri, India	Philadelphia	Mt. Pleasant, Pa.
1885	*Mrs. M. F. Scranton	Seoul, Korea	New England	Cleveland, O.

*Home on leave.

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APPOIN'T.	MISSIONARIES.	FOREIGN STATION.	BRANCHES.	FORMER RESIDENCE.
1885-1900.	Julia E. Wisner	Darjeeling, India	Cincinnati	Berea, O.
1886	Harriet L. Ayres	Mexico City, Mexico	Cincinnati	Hillsboro, O.
1886	Elizabeth Hewett	Montevideo, S. A	Northwestern	Gilead, Mich.
1886	Anna E. Lawson	Phalera, India	Des Moines	Ottumwa, Ia.
1887	Sophia Blackmore	Singapore, Sts. Settlements	Minneapolis	Australia.
1887	May E. Carleton, M.D	Ming Chiang, China	New York	Port Chester, N. Y.
1887	*Anna Gallimore	Aligarh, India	Baltimore	England.
1887	Mabel C. Hartford	Iong Bing, China	New England	Dover, N. H.
1887	Ella C. Shaw	Nanking, China	Northwestern	Moore's Hill, Ind.
1887	Edna G. Terry, M.D	Tsunhua, China	New England	Boston, Mass.
1888	*Belle J. Allen	Tokyo, Japan	Cincinnati	Bellefontaine, O.
1888	*Anna J. Bing	Sappora, Japan	Cincinnati	Delaware, O.
1888	Kate A. Blair	Calcutta, India	Cincinnati	Painesville, O.
1888	Julia A. Bonafield	Foochow, China	Cincinnati	Tunnelton, W. Va.
1888	Augusta Dickerson	Hakodate, Japan	Philadelphia	Philadelphia, Pa.
1888	Estelle M. Files	Poona, India	New York	Brochport, N. Y.
1888	Elizabeth Maxey	Calcutta, India	New York	London, O.
1888	Emma Mitchell	Wuhu, China	New York	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1888	Sarah Peters	Nanking, China	Northwestern	Princeville, Ill.
1888	Martha A. Sheldon, M.D	Pithoragarh, India	New England	Excelsior, Minn.
1888	Lucy W. Sullivan	Pithoragarh, India	Cincinnati	Dayton, O.
1889	Georgiana Baucus	Yokohama, Japan	New York	Ithaca, N. Y.
1889	*Elizabeth R. Bender	Tokyo, Japan	Baltimore	Carlisle, Pa.
1889	Ellen Blackstock	Tokyo, Japan	Minneapolis	Lafayette, Ind.
1889	Mary B. Griffiths	Hirosaki, Japan	Des Moines	Marathon, Ia.

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1889.....	Louisa Imhof.....	Sappora, Japan	Topeka.....	Lincoln, Neb.
1889.....	Frances E. Phelps.....	Sendai, Japan.....	Des Moines....	Sioux City, Ia.
1889.....	Frances Scott.....	Gonda, India	Cincinnati.....	Cincinnati, O.
1889.....	Rue E. Sellers.....	Naini Tal, India	Cincinnati.....	New Matamoras, O.
1889.....	Anna E. Steere.....	Tai-an Fu, China	Northwestern...	Adrian, Mich.
1889.....	Lydia A. Trimble.....	Hok Chiang, China	Des Moines.....	Galsa, Ia.
1889.....	Frances O. Wilson.....	Tientsin, China	Des Moines.....	Corning, Ia.
1889.....	Elsie Wood.....	Lima, Peru	New York.....	Lima, Peru.
1890.....	Rachel R. Benn, M.D.....	Tientsin, China	Philadelphia....	Edinboro, Pa.
1890-1897.	Mrs. R. Sherwood Hall, M.D..	Pyeng Yang, Korea	New York.....	Liberty, N. Y.
1890.....	Ellen M. Lyon, M.D.....	Foochow, China	Northwestern...	Spencer Creek, Mich.
1890.....	Fannie A. Perkins.....	Thandaung, Burma	Des Moines....	Indianolo, Ia.
1890.....	Leonora H. Seeds.....	Fukuoka, Japan	Cincinnati.....	Delaware, O.
1890.....	*Ida Stevenson, M.D.....	Tientsin, China	Topeka.....	Chicago, Ill.
1891.....	Louisa Heafer.....	Jabalpur, India	Philadelphia....	Philadelphia, Pa.
1891.....	Ella A. Lewis.....	Seoul, Korea	Baltimore.....	Philadelphia, Pa.
1891.....	*Anna R. Limberger.....	Puebla, Mexico	Philadelphia.....	Danville, Pa.
1891.....	Kate L. Ogborn.....	Nan Chang, China.....	Des Moines....	Union Mills, Ia.
1891.....	*M. E. Vickery.....	Rome, Italy	Northwestern...	Evansville, Ind.
1891.....	Laura M. White.....	Chin Kiang, China	Philadelphia....	Philadelphia, Pa.
1891.....	*Kate B. Blackburn.....	Lovetch, Bulgaria	Northwestern...	Jacksonville, Ill.
1892.....	Mary F. Cutler, M.D.....	Seoul, Korea	New York.....	Pomeroy, Ia.
1892.....	Effie Dunmore.....	Guanajuato, Mexico	Philadelphia....	Auburn Corners, Pa.
1892.....	Ella E. Glover	Tientsin, China	New England...	Boston, Mass.
1892.....	Elizabeth Hoge.....	Gonda, India	Cincinnati.....	Bellaire, O.

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1892	Ada J. Lauck	Cawnpore, India	Des Moines	Indianolo, Ia.
1892	Christine Lawson	Bombay, India	New York	Green Island, N. Y.
1892	Luella M. Masters, M.D	Foochow, China	Northwestern	Thornton, Ind.
1892	Josephine O. Paine	Seoul, Korea	New England	Boston, Mass.
1892	Josephine Stahl	Rangoon, Burma	Northwestern	Diagonal, Ia.
1892	Grace Stephens	Madras, India	Baltimore	India.
1892	Lydia A. Wilkinson	Foochow, China	Des Moines	Diagonal, Ia.
1892	Catherine Wood	Haiderabad, India	Des Moines	Humeston, Ia.
1892	*Effie G. Young	Peking, China	New England	Waltham, Mass.
1893	*Mrs. Anna C. Davis	Nan King, China	Northwestern	Oak Park, Ill.
1893	Lula E. Frey	Seoul, Korea	Cincinnati	Bellefontaine, O.
1893	Carrie A. Heaton	Sendai, Japan	Northwestern	Seymour, Ind.
1893	Wilma H. Rouse	Foochow, China	Minneapolis	Lakefield, Minn.
1894	Mabel Allen	Foochow, China	Des Moines	Early, Ia.
1894	Harriet S. Alling	Tokyo, Japan	Northwestern	Chicago, Ill.
1894	*Celeste Easton	Sitapur, India	Pacific	Riverside, Cal.
1894	Anna R. Elicker	Khandwa, India	Des Moines	Muscatine, Ia.
1894	Helen R. Galloway	Chung King, China	Des Moines	Mt. Ayr, Ia.
1894	Lily D. Greene	Phalera, India	Northwestern	Greencastle, Ind.
1894	Lola May Kidwell	Nagasaki, Japan	Cincinnati	Delavan, O.
1894	*Lilian R. Marks	Ajmer, India	Pacific	San Francisco, Cal.
1894	*Fannie E. Meyer	Chung King, China	Des Moines	Elm Grove, Mo.
1894	*Florence L. Nichols	Lucknow, India	New England	Lynn, Mass.
1894	Mary Peters	Ming Chiang, China	Northwestern	Princeville, Ill.
1894	Florence E. Singer	Hakodate, Japan	Philadelphia	Philadelphia, Pa.

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1894.....	Mary E. Wilson.....	Budaon, India	Northwestern...	India.
1894.....	Minnie E. Wilson.....	Hing Hua, China	Northwestern...	Shelbyville, Ill.
1895.....	Clara J. Collier	Chin Kiang, China	New England...	Laconia, N. H.
1895.....	*Kate O. Curts	Budaon, India	New York.....	New York City.
1895.....	Hu King Eng, M.D.....	Foochow, China	Philadelphia....	Foochow, China.
1895.....	Alice A. Evans.....	Haiderabad, India	Des Moines.....	Russell, Ia.
1895.....	Eva M. Hardie.....	Lucknow, India	Cincinnati.....	New York City.
1895.....	Alice Linam.....	Ku Cheng, China	New York.....	Leesburg, Ind.
1895.....	Gertrude Taft, M.D.....	Chin Kiang, China	Pacific.....	Los Angeles, Cal.
1895.....	Althea M. Todd.....	Ing Chung, China	New England...	Boston, Mass.
1895.....	Phoebe Wells.....	Foochow, China	New York.....	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1895.....	Laura S. Wright.....	Budaon, India	Northwestern...	Washington, Ind.
1896.....	*Elizabeth M. Benthein.....	Poona, India	Northwestern...	Millbrook, Ill.
1896.....	Fannie S. Fisher.....	Kolar, India	Northwestern...	Danville, Ill.
1896.....	Gertrude Gilman.....	Peking, China	New England..	Springfield, Vt.
1896.....	Ida Khan, M.D.....	Nan Chang, China	Northwestern...	Kiu Kiang, China.
1896.....	Mary Means.....	Moradabad, India	Cincinnati.....	Akron, O.
1896.....	Clara E. Merrill.....	Kiu Kiang, China.....	Northwestern...	Flint, Mich.
1896.....	*Elizabeth W. Nicholls.....	Bombay, India	New York.....	New York City.
1896.....	Caroline M. Purdy	Puebla, Mexico	Philadelphia....	Sunbury, Pa.
1896.....	Emma Scott, M.D.....	Muttra, India	Cincinnati.....	Columbus, O.
1896.....	Mary E. Shockley.....	Peking, China	Cincinnati.....	Columbus, O.
1896.....	Mary Stone, M.D.....	Kiu Kiang, China	Des Moines.....	Kiu Kiang, China.
1896.....	Frances G. Wilson.....	Tokyo, Japan	Cincinnati.....	Chattanooga, Tenn.
1897.....	Laura Bobenhouse.....	Aligarh, India	Des Moines.....	Cambria, Ia.

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1897	Nell M. Daniel	Tokyo, Japan	Des Moines	Traer, Ia.
1897	*Martelle Elliot	Poona, India	New York	Van Wert, O.
1897	*Nettie M. Hyde	Jabalpur, India	Des Moines	Hopkins, Mo.
1897	Martha Lebeus	Sieng Iu, China	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, O.
1897	*Amy Gifford Lewis	Yokohama, Japan	Baltimore	Jamestown, N. Y.
1897	May B. Lilly	Singapore, Sts. Settlements	Columbia River	Portland, Oregon.
1897	Melva A. Livermore	Meerut, India	Topeka	Smith Center, Kans.
1897	*Clara Martin	Penang, Sts. Settlements	Minneapolis	Hamline, Minn.
1897	*Mary E. Melton	Nagasaki, Japan	Northwestern	Jacksonville, Ill.
1897	*Nellie Pierce	Seoul, Korea	Philadelphia	Nashville, Tenn.
1897	*Mariana Young	Nagasaki, Japan	Cincinnati	Marysville, O.
1898	Miriam Forster	Asansol, India	Northwestern	Toronto, Canada.
1898	*E. Marguerite Glenck	Ku Cheng, China	New York	Long Island City, N. J
1898	Edith A. Hemingway	Singapore, Sts. Settlements	New England	Springfield, Mass.
1898	*Isabella D. Longstreet	Ming Chiang, China	Northwestern	Bay City, Mich.
1898	Ida Grace Loper	Sitapur, India	New York	Marilla, N. Y.
1898	Florence W. Maskell	Kolar, India	Des Moines	India.
1898	Alice Means	Moradabad, India	Cincinnati	Akron, O.
1898	*Marion Newton	Lucknow, India	Northwestern	Grand Ledge, Mich.
1898	*Lizzie W. Varney	Hing Hua, China	Topeka	Pueblo, Cal.
1899	Louisa T. Brouse	Lucknow, India	Northwestern	Irvington, Ind.
1899	Caroline Driebelbeis	Kiu Kiang, China	New York	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1899	Emma Ernsberger, M.D	Seoul, Korea	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, O.
1899	Mary Eva Gregg	Muttra, India	Des Moines	Danville, Ia.
1899	Charlotte J. Illingsworth	Thandaung, Burma	Philadelphia	Burma.

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1899.....	Helen Ingram.....	Lucknow, India	Minneapolis....	Brighton, England.
1899.....	Ella Manning	Chung King, China	Northwestern...	Detroit, Mich.
1899.....	Jennie Moyer.....	Calcutta, India	New York	Newark, N. Y.
1899.....	*Martha L. Nicolaisen	Sieng Iu, China	Minneapolis.....	Germany.
1899.....	Clara M. Organ.....	Shahjahanpur, India	New England...	Groveland, Mass.
1899.....	*Phoebe A. Parkinson.....	Foochow, China	Columbia River.	Spokane, Wash.
1899.....	Ada J. Southard.....	Hirosaki, Japan	Des Moines....	Sioux City, Ia.
1900.....	Luella R. Anderson.....	Kuala Lumpur, Sts. Set'm'ts	Cincinnati.....	Ada, O.
1900.....	Laura E. Beazell.....	Rome, Italy	Northwestern...	Ligonier, Ind.
1900.....	Ida Bohannon.....	Pachuca, Mexico	Northwestern...	Dellon, Kan.
1900.....	*Mary A. Cody.....	Singapore, Sts. Settlements	Minneapolis.....	Cleveland, O.
1900.....	Dora Davis	Lovetch, Bulgaria	Northwestern...	Kalamazoo, Mich.
1900.....	Miriam Decker.....	Chung King, Chian	Northwestern...	Dixon, Ill.
1900.....	Ida Ellis.....	Penang, Sts. Settlements...	Minneapolis.....	Greencastle, Ind.
1900.....	Ethel M. Estey.....	Seoul, Korea	New York.....	Waterville, N. B.
1900.....	Mary R. Hillman.....	Seoul, Korea	Cincinnati.....	Newark, O.
1900.....	Charlotte J. Holman.....	Ajmer, India	Pacific.....	Boston, Mass.
1900.....	Bertha E. Kneeland.....	Rosario, S. A.....	New England...	Boston, Mass.
1900.....	Emma E. Martin, M.D.....	Peking, China	Northwestern...	Otterbein, Ind.
1900.....	Elizabeth Martin.....	Peking, China	Northwestern...	Otterbein, Ind.
1900.....	Mary V. McKinley.....	Darjeeling, India	Northwestern...	Clare, Mich.
1900.....	Mrs. Mary C. Meek.....	Kuala Lumpur, Sts. Settlem.	New York.....	New York City.
1900.....	Martha J. Miller.....	Basim, India	Des Moines....	Madrid, La.
1900.....	Lulu A. Miller	Seoul, Korea	New York.....	Little Falls, N. Y.
1900.....	Anna J. Norton, M.D.....	Jabalpur, India	Cincinnati.....	New York City.

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1900.....	Eva Odgers.....	Rome, Italy	Northwestern...	Chicago, Ill.
1900.....	Mrs. Esther Kim Pak, M.D...	Seoul, Korea	Philadelphia....	Seoul, Korea.
1900.....	Florence Plumb.....	Foochow, China	New York.....	Foochow, China.
1900.....	Mrs. Helen E. Rasmussen....	Rhodesia, S. E. Africa	New York.....	Wenonah, N. J.
1900.....	Luella Rigby.....	Thandaung, Burma	Des Moines.....	Mechanicsville, Ia.
1900.....	Ruth E. Robinson.....	Lucknow, India	Baltimore.....	Calcutta, India.
1900.....	Mary L. Rowley.....	Kiu Kiang, China	Northwestern...	Crystal Springs, Mich.
1900.....	Elizabeth May Ruddick.....	Gonda, India	New England..	El Dorado, Kan.
1900.....	Lilavati Singh.....	Lucknow, India	Northwestern...	India.
1900.....	Mrs. Susan Tippet.....	Foochow, China.....	Baltimore.....	Stuart, Ia.
1900.....	Mary E. Williams.....	Baroda, India.....	Philadelphia....	Grove City, Pa.
1901.....	Anna A. Abbott.....	Godhra, India.....	Northwestern...	Chicago, Ill.
1901.....	Edna L. Beck, M.D.....	Ajmer, India.....	Pacific.....	San Jose, Cal.
1901.....	Fannie A. Bennett.....	Poona, India.....	Northwesern....	Bloomington, Ill.
1901.....	Susan Collins.....	Malange, Angola, Africa...	Pacific.....	Pasadena, Cal.
1901.....	Agnes Edmonds, M.D.....	Chung King, China.....	Des Moines....	Tina, Mo.
1901.....	Margaret J. Edmunds.....	Seoul, Korea.....	Cincinnati.....	Toledo, O.
1901.....	Carrie Foster.....	Rangoon, Burma.....	Des Moines.....	Sioux City, Ia.
1901.....	Nainette Henkle.....	Calcutta, India	Des Moines.....	Des Moines, Ia.
1901.....	Ella Holbrook.....	Tokyo, Japan.....	Pacific.....	San Francisco, Cal.
1901.....	Margaret D. Lewis, M.D.....	Bareilly, India.....	Northwestern...	Chicago, Ill.
1901.....	Jessie Alice Marriott.....	Ing Chung, China.....	New England...	Osage City, Mo.
1901.....	Isabel McKnight	Muttra, India.....	Topeka	Canada.
1901.....	Grace Stockwell.....	Rangoon, Burma.....	Des Moines.....	Murray, Ia.
1901.....	Emma Stockwell.....	Rangoon, Burma.....	Topeka	Murray, Ia.

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1901	Elizabeth J. Wells	Haiderabad, India	Des Moines	La Clede, Mo.
1901	Annie S. Winslow	Meerut, India	Topeka	Chicago, Ill.
1901	Grace W. Woods	Kolar, India	Northwestern	Quincy, Ill.
1902	Joan Davis	Bombay, India	Des Moines	Fayette, Ia.
1902	Laura Temple	Mexico City, Mo	New York	Hoboken, N. J.
1902	Bessie Alexander	Sappora, Japan	Cincinnati	Prince Edward Is., N. F.
1902	Winifred Spaulding	Manila, P. I.	Topeka	Kansas City, Kan.
1902	Edith M. Swift	Rome, Italy	Northwestern	Newtonville, Mass.
1903	Ida May Cartwright	Lucknow, India	Cincinnati	Youngstown, O.
1903	Edith M. Crane	Montevideo, S. A	Northwestern	Albion, Mich.
1903	Mabel Davison	Nagasaki, Japan	New York	Japan.
1903	La Dona Deavitt	Wuhu, China	New York	Willsboro, N. Y.
1903	Mrs. S. M. Eddy	Poona, India	Cincinnati	Youngstown, O.
1903	Norma H. Fenderich	Raichur, India	Philadelphia	Allegheny, Pa.
1903	Mamie Glassburner	Hok Chiang, China	Des Moines	Charter Oak, Ia.
1903	Minerva Guthapfel	Seoul, Korea	Philadelphia	Germantown, Pa.
1903	Helen Hewitt	Pachuca, Mexico	Northwestern	Elgin, Ill.
1903	Dorothy Jones	Chung Kiang, China	Northwestern	Joliet, Ill.
1903	Mabel Lee	Aoyama, Japan	Minneapolis	Grand Forks, N. D.
1903	Alice M. Northrup	Lucknow, India	Northwestern	Braceville, Ill.
1903	Mary E. Olson	Penang, Sts. Settlements	Minneapolis	Afton, Minn.
1903	Jessie I. Peters	Muzzafarpur, India	Northwestern	Chicago, Ill.
1903	Lydia Pool	Cawnpore, India	Des Moines	Cherlotte, Mich.
1903	Helen Robinson	Bombay, India	New York	Calcutta, India.
1903	Adelaide Siddall	Lucknow, India	New England	Albion, Mich.

*Home on leave.

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APPOIN'T.	MISSIONARIES.	FOREIGN STATION.	BRANCHES.	FORMER RESIDENCE.
1903	Anna Stone	Kiu Kiang, China	Minneapolis	China.
1903	Virginia R. Swormstedt	Inhambane, Africa	Cincinnati	Wyoming, O.
1903	Hester A. Thomas	Nagasaki, Japan	Cincinnati	Lancaster, O.
1903	Grace B. Travis	Ku Cheng, China	New York	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
1903	Nora Belle Waugh	Naini Tal, India	Cincinnati	Delaware, O.
1903	Maude Wheeler	Peking, China	Northwestern	Lake Mills, Wis.
1903	Bertha L. Wood	Lima, Peru	Philadelphia	Lima, Peru.

ACCEPTED BUT NOT APPOINTED.

1902	Lotta McHose		Cincinnati	Delaware, O.
1902	Lou Frances Passmore		Northwestern	Chicago, Ill.
1903	Emma J. Beton, M.D		Cincinnati	Louisville, Ky.
1903	Grace A. Crooks		Northwestern	Charlotte, Mich.
1903	Esther Henderson		New York	Herkimer, N. Y.
1903	May Hu		Des Moines	China.
1903	Jennie V. Hughes		New York	South Orange, N. J.
1903	Frieda V. Lorenz		New York	Germany.
1903	Eleanor S. Moore		Northwestern	Nashville, Tenn.
1903	Agnes Saxe		New York	Walden, N. Y.
1903	Maude Saxe		New York	Walden, N. Y.
1903	Susan A. Walker		Northwestern	Chicago, Ill.

RETIRED AFTER TWENTY-FIVE YEARS' SERVICE.

	Sarah Woolston	Foochow, China		Mt. Holly, N. J.

RETIRED AFTER TWENTY-SEVEN YEARS' SERVICE.

	Clara A. Swain, M.D	India		Castile, N. Y.

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APPOIN'T.	MISSIONARIES.		
1875.....	Miss Letitia A. Campbell.....	Peking, China	Died May 18, 1878.
1876.....	" L. H. Green, M.D. (Mrs. Cheney)	Bareilly, India	" Sept. 30, 1878.
1878.....	" Susan B. Higgins	Yokohama, Japan	" July 3, 1879.
1881.....	" Emma Michener	Africa	" Dec. 11, 1881.
1884.....	" Ella Gilchrist, M.D	Kiu Kiang, China	" April 23, 1884
1871.....	" Beulah Woolston	Foochow, China	" Oct. 24, 1886.
1878-1880..	" Cecelia Guelfi	Montevideo, S. A.....	1886.
1881.....	" Harriet Kerr	Bareilly, India	" Dec. 11, 1886.
1880.....	" Florence Nickerson	Lucknow, India	" Jan. 31, 1887.
1878.....	" Harriet Woolson, M.D.....	Moradabad, India	
1872.....	" Elizabeth M. Pultz	Moradabad, India	" Nov. 5, 1887.
1883.....	" Emma J. Everding.....	Nagasaki, Japan	" Jan. 13, 1892.
1878.....	" M. E. Layton	Cawnpore, India	" April 22, 1892.
1888.....	" M. E. V. Pardoe.....	Tokyo, Japan	" Aug. 31, 1892.
1887.....	" Mary A. Vance (Mrs. Belknap)	Tokyo, Japan	" Sept. 27, 1892.
1880.....	" Anna B. Sears	Peking, China	" Dec. 4, 1895.
1884.....	" Clara A. Downey	India	" Jan. 4, 1896.
1888.....	" Mary E. Carroll	Bombay, India	" June 12, 1897.
1884.....	" Linna M. Schenck..... .	Bulgaria	" March 22, 1898.
1881.....	" Phebe Rowe	India	" April 13, 1898.
1889.....	" Maud E. Simons.....	Japan	" July 29, 1898.
1874.....	" Mary Hastings	Pachuca, Mexico	" Aug. 15, 1898.
1876.....	" Nettie Ogden	Mexico	1899.
1887.....	" Mary A. Hughes (Mrs. Ernsberger)	India	1899.
1900.....	" Martha McKibben	Mexico City, Mexico	" Nov. 12, 1900.
1895.....	" Florence Sterling (Mrs. Leuth).	India.....	" Nov. 1900.
1898.....	" Cora Zentmire (Mrs. Brewster)..	Angola, Africa	" Jan. 8, 1901.
1869.....	" Isabella Thoburn	Lucknow, India	" Sept. 1, 1901.
1886.....	" Delia A. Fuller	Sironcha, India	" Nov. 14, 1901.
1884.....	" Mary De F. Loyd.....	Mexico City, Mexico	" May 28, 1902.
1897.....	" Lillian Harris, M.D.....	Pyeng Yang, Korea	" May 16, 1902.
1900.....	" Josephine Mekkleson	Quessua, Africa	" July 5, 1902.

Missionaries

Sent Out From America or Employed by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society Since its Organization in 1869.

m indicates Marriage, *r* Retired, *d* Deceased. Name in italics is married name. Abbreviations, in parentheses, indicate Branch.

Date of App'm't		NAME AND BRANCH.
1901		Abbott, Anna A. (N. W.)
1887	*r*	Abrams, Minnie F.
1882	*m*	Akers, Estella, M. D. *(Perkins)*
1888		Allen, Belle J. (Cinn.)
1894		Allen, Mabel (Des M.)
1902		Alexander, Bessie (Cinn.)
1894		Alling, Harriet S. (N. W.)
1900		Anderson, Luella R. (Cinn.)
1882		Atkinson, Anna P. (N. Y.)
1888	*r*	Atkinson, Mary
1886		Ayres, Harriet L. (Cinn.)
1895	*m*	Barrows, Mrs. M. L., M. D. *(King)*
1889		Baucus, Georgiana
1902		Beard, Bertha M. (Des M.)
1900		Beazell, Laura E. (N. W.)
1901		Beck, Edna L., M. D. (Pac.)
1889		Bender, Elizabeth R. (Balto.)
1890	*m*	Bengel, Margaret *(Jones)*
1890		Benn, Rachel R., M. D. (Phila.)
1901		Bennett, Fannie A. (N. W.)
1896		Benthein, E. M. (N. W.)
1882	*m*	Benton, Emma *(Elmer)*
1888		Bing, Anna V. (Cinn.)
1888	*r*	Black, Lillian R.
1892		Blackburn, Kate B. (N. W.)
1872	*m*	Blackmar, Louisa *(Gilder)*
1887	*m*	Blackmore, Sophia (Minn.)
1889		Blackstock, Ella (Minn.)
1888		Blair, Kate A. (Cinn.)
1897		Bobenhouse Laura (Des M.)
1900		Bohannon Ida (N. W.)
1897		Bonafield, Julia (Cinn.)
1897	*r*	Boss, Harriet.
1888	*m*	Bowen, Mary E., M. D.
1897	*m*	Bowne, Ida May *(Manfre)*
1899		Brouse, Louise T. (N. W.)
1871	*m*	Brown, Maria *(Davis)*
1891	*r*	Bryan, Mary E., M. D.
1880		Budden, Annie (N. Y.)
1900	*m*	Bumgardner, Lucy M. *(Morton)*
1898	*r*	Burman, Matilda
1879	*r*	Bushnell, Kate C., M. D.
1894	*m*	Butcher, Annie *(Hewes)*
1875	*d*	Campbell Letitia A.
1876	*m*	Carey, Mary F. *(Davis)*
1887		Carleton May E., M. D. (N. Y.)
1888	*d*	Carroll, Mary E.
1903		Cartwright, Ida May
1896	*m*	Carver, Margaret B. *(Bensberger)*
1874	*r*	Chapin, Jennie M.
1903		Crane, Edith M. (N. W.)
1884	*r*	Christiancy, Mary F., M. D.
1894	*m*	Christiansen, Christina *(Ashe)*
1880	*r*	Clemens, Mrs. E. J.
1900		Cody, Mary A. (Minn.)
1896		Collier, Clara J. (N. E.)
1894	*m*	Collins, Ruth A. *(Thoburn)*
1901		Collins, Susan (Pac.)
1878	*m*	Coombs, L., M. D. *(Strittmater)*
1884	*m*	Corey, Catherine, M. D. *(Ford)*
1892	*m*	Craig, Frances *(Sweet)*
1892	*r*	Crosthwaite, Isabella
1895	*m*	Croucher, Miranda *(Packard)*
1895		Curts, Kate O. (N. Y.)
1892		Cutler, Mary F., M. D. (N. Y.)
1878	*r*	Cushman, Clara
1890	*r*	Daily, Rebecca
1888	*r*	Danforth, Mary A.
1897		Daniels, N. M. (Des M.)
1895	*m*	Dart, Jennie M., M. D. *(Deane)*
1898		Davis, Anna C. (Mrs.) (N. W.)
1900		Davis, Dora, (N. W.)
1902		Davis, Joan (Des M.)
1903		Davison, Mabel, (N. Y.)
1888	*m*	Day, Martha E. *(Abbott)*
1896	*m*	Deaver, Ida C.
1903		Deavitt La Dona (N. Y.)
1900		Decker, H. M. (N. W.)
1884	*r*	Deline, Sarah M.
1891	*r*	De Motte, Mary *(Doering)*
1874	*r*	Denning, Lou B.
1882	*m*	DeVine, Esther J. *(Williams)*
1888		Dickerson, Augusta (Phila.)
1893	*m*	Diem, Lydia *(Wengel)*
1894	*r*	Donahue, Julia M., M. D.
1884	*d*	Downey, Clara A.
1899		Driebelbeis, Caroline (N. Y.)
1890	*r*	Dudley, Hannah
1892		Dunmore, Effie (Phila.)
1894		Easton, Celesta (Pac.)
1878		Easton, S. A. (Cinn.)
1903		Eddy, Mrs. S. M. (Cinn.)

Date of App'm't		NAME AND BRANCH.
1901		Edmonds, Agnes, M. D. (Des M.)
1901		Edmunds, Margaret J. (Cinn.)
1894		Elicker, Anna R. (Des M.)
1879	m	Elliot, Margaret (*Wilson*)
1897		Elliott, Martelle (N Y.)
1895	d	Elliott, Mary C. (*Stephens*)
1885	r	Elliot, Mary J.
1900		Ellis, Ida (Minn.)
1884		English, Fannie M. (N. Y.)
1899		Ernsberger, Emma, M. D. (Cinn.)
1888	r	Ernsberger, I., M. D.
1900		Estey, Ethel M. (N. Y.)
1895		Evans, Alice A. (Des M.)
1883	d	Everding, Emma J.
1899	m	Ewers, Harriet E. (*Lyons*)
1908		Fenderich, Norma H. (Phila.)
1892	m	Ferris, Emma E. (*Shellabear*)
1887	r	Field, Nellie H.
1888		Files, Estella M. (N. Y.)
[illegible]	r	Fincham, Ella B.
1884	m	Fisher, Elizabeth (*Brewster*)
1896		Fisher, Fannie F. (N. W.)
1889	m	Forbes, Ella R. (*Phillips*)
1883		Foster, Eva M. (Col. R.)
1901		Foster, Carrie (Des M.)
1898		Forster, Miriam (N. W.)
1889	m	French, Anna S. (*Freyer*)
1891		Frey, Celia M.
1893		Frey, Lulu E. (Cinn.)
1886	d	Fuller, Delia A.
1887		Gallimore, Anna (Balto.)
1894		Galloway, Helen R. (Des M.)
1879		Gheer, Jennie M. (N. Y.)
1878	m	Gibson, Eugenia (*Mitchell*)
1890	d	Gilchrist, Ella, M. D.
1896		Gilman, Gertrude, (N. E.)
1903		Glassburner, Mamie (Des M.)
1898		Glenk E. Marguerite (N. Y.)
1895		Gloss, Anna M., M. D. (N. W.)
1892		Glover, Ella J. (N. E.)
1890	m	Goodenough, Julia E. (*Hudson*)
1895	r	Goodin, E. S.
1876	d	Green, Lucilla H., M. D. (*Cheney*)
1886	r	Green, Nellie R.
1894		Greene, Lily D. (N. W.)
1899		Gregg, Mary E. (Des M.)
1889		Griffiths, Mary B. (Des M.)
1878	d	Guelphi, Cecelia
1908		Guthapfel, Minerva L. (Phila.)
1891		Haefer, Louisa, (Phila.)
1883	m	Hale, Lilian G. (*Scott-Weldey*)
1885	r	Hall, Emma M.
1883	r	Hamister, F. N., M. D.
1900	m	Hammond, Alice J. (*Sharp*)
1892	r	Hammond, Rebecca J.

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1881		Hampton, Minnie S. (N. Y.)
1895		Hardie, Eva M. (Cinn.)
1892	m	Harrington, Susan (*Cousland*)
1897	d	Harris, Lilian, M. D.
1892	m	Harris, Mary W. (*Folwell*)
1898	r	Harris, Nellie
1887		Hartford, Mabel C. (N. E.)
1884		Harvey, Emily L. (N. E.)
1874	d	Hastings, Mary
1898		Heaton, Carrie A. (N. W.)
1892	m	Hebinger, Josephine (*Snuggs*)
1884	m	Hedrick, M. C. (*Miles*)
1896		Hemingway, E. A. (N. E.)
1901		Henkle, Nainette (Des M.)
1884		Hewett, Eleanor J. (Phila.)
1886		Hewett, Elizabeth (N. W.)
1908		Hewitt, Helen (N. W.)
1878	d	Higgins, Susan B.
1900		Hillman, Mary R. (Cinn.)
1872		Hoag, L. H., M. D. (N. Y.)
1895	m	Hodge, Emma, M. D. (*Worrell*)
1892		Hoge, Elizabeth (Cinn.)
1901		Holbrook, Ella, (Pac.)
1878	m	Holbrook, Mary J. (*Chappell*)
1900		Hollman, Charlotte J. (Pac.)
1877	m	Howard, Leonora, M. D. (*King*)
1884	r	Howard, Meta, M. D.
1879	r	Howe, Delia A.
1872		Howe, Gertrude, (N. W.)
1881	m	Hoy, Ellen I. (*Lawson*)
1895		Hu King Eng, M. D. (Phila.)
1883	m	Hugaboom, Marion
[illegible]	d	Hughes, Mary (*Ernsberger*)
1883	m	Hyde, Laura, M. D. (*Foote*)
[illegible]	d	Hyde, Minnie J. (*Wilson*)
1897		Hyde, Nettie M. (Des M.)
1899		Illingworth, Charlotte (Phila)
1889		Imhof, Louisa, (Topeka)
1899		Ingram Helen, (Minn.)
1902		Jackson, C. Ethel (N. W.)
1898		Jacobsen, Alma
1894		Jewell, Carrie I. (Cinn.)
1883		Jewell, Mrs. C. M. (N. Y.)
1908		Jones, Dorothy, (N. W.)
1894	r	Johnson, Anna
1888	m	Johnson, Ella (*Kinnear*)
1886	m	Kaulback, Anna L. (*Wilson*)
1892	m	Keeler, Anna C. (*Manson*)
1880	r	Kelly, Luella
1891	r	Kemper, Harriet
1891	m	Kennedy, Mary E. (*Core*)
1881	d	Kerr, Harriet
1888		Ketring, Mary, M. D.
1896		Khan, Ida, M. D. (N. W.)
1894		Kidwell, Lola M. (Cinn.)
1895	m	Kissick, S. E. (*McCartney*)
1900		Kneeland, Bertha E. (N. E.)
1881		Knowles, Emma L. (N. E.)
1902		Kurtz, Alice W. (Phila.)
1885		Kyle, Theresa J. (Phila.)
1897	r	Lamb, Emma L.
1884	r	Latimer, Laura

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1892	r	Lauck, Ada J.
1885	m	Lauck, Sarah *(Parson)*
1896		Lawson, Anna E. (Des M.)
1892		Lawson Christine (N. Y.)
1878	d	Layton, M. E.
1897		Lebeus Martha (Cinn.)
1894	m	Lee, Irene
1903		Lee, Mabel (Minn.)
1884		LeHuray, Eleanor (N. Y.)
1878	m	Leming, Sarah *(Shepherd)*
1897		Lewis, Amy G. (Balto.)
1891		Lewis, Ella A. (Balto.)
1901		Lewis, Margaret D., M. D. (N. W.)
1897		Lilly, May B. (Col. R.)
1891		Limburger, Anna R. (Phila.)
1895		Linam, Alice. (N. Y.)
1897		Livermore, Melva A. (Topeka)
1899		Livingstone, Kate
1891	r	Locke, Jennie
1898		Longstreet, I. D. (N. W.)
1898		Loper, I. Grace (N. Y.)
1874	m	Lore, Julia A., M. D. *(McGrew)*
1884	d	Loyd, Mary DeF.
1890		Lyon, M. Ellen, M. D (N. W.)
1888	m	McBurnie, Susan *(Bond)*
1886	r	McDowell, Kate, M. D.
1898	m	McGregor, Catherine, M. D. *(Boomer)*
1883	m	McKeason, Mary *(Conkling)*
1900	d	McKibben, Martha
1900		McKinney, Mary V. (N. W.)
1901		McKnight, Isabel (Topeka)
1871	m	McMillan, Carrie *(Buck)*
1899		Manning, Ella (N. W.
1884	m	Mansell, Hester V. *(Monroe)*
1894		Marks, Lilian R. (Pac.)
1901		Marriott, Jessie A. (N. E.)
1897		Martin, Clara (Minn.)
1900		Martin, Elizabeth
1900		Martin, Emma E., M. D. (N. W.)
1898		Maskell, Florence W. (Des M.)
1874	d	Mason, Letitia, M. D. *(Quine)*
1892		Masters, Luella, M. D. (N. W.)
1888		Maxey, Elizabeth (N. Y.)
1898		Means, Alice (Cinn.)
1896		Means, Mary (Cinn.)
1900		Meek, Mrs. Mary C. (N. Y.)
1900	d	Mekkleson, Josephine
1897		Melton, Mary E. (N. W.)
1896		Merritt, C. E. (N. W.)
1894		Meyer, Fannie E. (Des M.)
1881	d	Michenor, Emma
1900		Miller, Lula A. (N. Y.)
1900		Miller, Martha J. (Des. M.)
1886	r	Miller, Oriel.
1901		Miller, Sarah H. (N. E.)
1888		Mitchell, Emma L. (N. Y.)
1878	m	Monelle, Nancy, M. D. *(Mansell)*

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1902		Montgomery, Urdell (Top'ka)
1901	r	Moore, M. Alice
1900		Moots, Mrs. Cornelia
1899		Moyer, Jennie E. (N. Y.)
1878	r	Mullner, Clara
1892	r	Neiger, Lillian
1898		Newton, Marion (N. W.)
1896		Nicholls, Elizabeth (N. Y.)
1894		Nichols, Florence (N. E.)
1880	d	Nickerson, Florence
1899		Nicolaisen, Martha L. (Minn.)
1903		Northrup, Alice M. (N. W.)
1900		Norton, Anna J., M. D. (Cinn.)
1900		Odgers, Eva (N. W.)
1891		Ogborn, Kate L. (Des M.)
1876	d	Ogden, Henrietta C.
1903		Olson, Mary E. (Minn.)
1900		Organ, Clara M. (N. E.)
1894	m	Otto, Alice M. *(Selby)*
1892		Paine, Josephine O. (N. E.)
1900		Pak, Esther Kim, M.D. (Phila.)
1888	d	Pardoe, Mary E. V.
1889	r	Parker, Theda A.
1899		Parkinson, Phoebe A. (Col. R.)
1890		Perkins, A. Fannie, (Des M.)
1888	m	Perrine, Florence *(Mansell)*
1903		Peters, Jessie, (N. W.)
1894		Peters, Mary (N. W.)
1888		Peters, Sarah (N. W.)
1889		Phelps, Frances E. (Des M.)
1897		Pierce, Nellie (Phila.)
1902		Pierce, Thirza M. (N. W.)
1900		Plumb, Florence (N. Y.)
1903		Poole, Lydia (Des M.)
1896	m	Porter, Charlotte J.
1871	m	Porter, Mary Q. *(Gamewell)*
1886	d	Pray, Susan, M. D.
1878	r	Priest, Mary
1872	d	Pultz, Elizabeth M.
1896		Purdy, Caroline M. (Phila.)
1902		Pyne, Rosa M. (Des M.)
1900		Rasmussen, Helen E., Mrs. (N. Y.)
1884		Reed, Mary
1900		Rigby, Luella (Des M.)
1902		Robbins, Henrietta (N. Y.)
1903		Robinson, Helen (N. Y.)
1884		Robinson, Mary C. (N. W.)
1900		Robinson, Ruth E. (Balto.)
1889	m	Rogers, Anna M. *(Furness)*
1887	r	Rothweiler, Louisa C.
1893		Rouse, Wilma H. (Minn.)
1881	d	Rowe, Phoebe
1900		Rowley, Mary L. (N. W.)
1900		Ruddick, Elizabeth May (N. E.)
1886	m	Rulofson, G. M. *(Thompson)*
1879		Russell, Elizabeth (Cinn.)
1895	r	Russell, Martha H.
1899	m	Samson, Carrie J. *(Sunder)*
1884	d	Schenck, Linna M.

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1874	*m*	Schoonmaker, Dora *(Soper)*
1896		Scott, Emma, M. D. (Cinn.)
1889		Scott, Fannie A. (Cinn.)
1885		Scranton, Mrs. M. F.
1880	*d*	Sears, Annie B.
1890		Seeds, Leonora H. (Cinn.)
1902		Seeds, Mabel K. (N. W.)
1889		Sellers, Ruth E. (Cinn.)
1879	*r*	Sharpe, Mary
1887		Shaw, Ella C. (N. W.)
1888		Sheldon, Martha A., M. D. (N. E.)
1890	*m*	Sherwood, R. M. D. *(Hall)* (N. Y.)
1895		Shockley, Mary E. (Cinn.)
1902		Sia Mabel (Des M.)
1903		Siddell, Adelaide, (N. E.)
1889	*d*	Simons, Maud E.
1894		Singer, Florence E. (Phila.)
1900		Singh, Lilavati (N. W.)
1890	*m*	Sites, Ruth M. *(Brown)*
1902		Slate, Anna B. (Phila.)
1884		Smith, Lida B. (N. Y.)
1902		Soper, Maude E. (Phila.)
1900		Southard, Ada J. (Des M.)
1870	*r*	Sparkes, Fannie J.
1878	*m*	Sparr, Julia A., M. D. *(Coffin)*
1902		Spaulding, Winifred (Topeka)
1896	*m*	Spears, Katherine A. *(Collier)*
1880	*m*	Spence, Mattie B. *(Perrie)*
1896	*r*	Spencer, Clarissa E.
1878		Spencer, Matilda A. (Phila.)
1892		Stahl, Josephine (N. W.)
1892	*m*	Stanton, Alice M. *(Woodruff)*
1899	*m*	Stearns, Mary P. *(Badley)*
1889		Steere, Anna E. (N. W.)
1890		Stephens, Grace (Balto.)
1895	*m*	Sterling, Florence *(Lenth)*
1890		Stevenson, Ida B., M. D., (Topeka)
1901		Stockwell, Emma (Topeka)
1901		Stockwell, Grace (Des M.)
1903		Stone, Anna (Minn.)
1896		Stone, Mary, M. D., (Des M.)
1902		Stumpf, Susanna M. (Des M.)
1896	*r*	Suderstrom, Anna
1888		Sullivan, Lucy (Cinn.)
1869	*r*	Swain, Clara A., M. D.
1878		Swaney, Mary F. (Topeka)
1902		Swift, Edith M. (N. W.)
1908		Swormstedt, Virginia R. (Cinn.)
1895		Taft, Gertrude, M. D. (Pac.)
1889	*m*	Taylor, Martha E. *(Callahan)*
1902		Temple, Laura (N. Y.)
1887		Terry, Edna G., M. D. (N. E.)
1869	*d*	Thoburn, Isabella
1903		Thomas, Hester A. (Cinn.)
1889	*m*	Thompson, Anna *(Stephens)*
1890	*r*	Thompson, E.
1871	*m*	Tinsley, Jennie M. *(Waugh)*
1900		Tippet, Mrs. Susan (Balto.)
1895		Todd, Althea M. (N. E.)
1897	*r*	Todd, Grace
1874	*m*	Trask, Sigourney, M. D. *(Cowles)*
1903		Travis, Grace B. (N. Y.)
1889		Trimble, Lydia A. (Des M.)
1895	*r*	Tryon, Elizabeth V.
1890	*m*	Tucker, Grace *(Tague)*
1902		Turner, Sarah B. (Phila.)
1902		Tuttle, Mary B., M. D. (Topeka)
1889	*m*	Van Dorsten, Amelia *(Lawyer)*
1887	*d*	Vance, Mary A. *(Belknap)*
1881		Van Petten, Mrs. Carrie (N. W.)
1898		Varney, L. W. (Topeka)
1891		Vickery, M. Ella, (N. W.)
1896	*r*	Waidman, Isabel
1891	*m*	Walton, Ida B. *(Multer)*
1880	*m*	Warner, Ellen H. *(Fox)*
1874	*m*	Warner, Susan M. *(Densmore)*
1883		Watson, Rebecca J. (Topeka)
1903		Waugh, Nora Belle (Cinn.)
1902		Weaver, Georgia (N. Y.)
1901		Wells, Elizabeth (Des M.)
1895		Wells, Phebe (N. Y.)
1902		Wescott, Pauline E. (N. W.)
1881	*m*	Wheeler, Frances J. *(Verity)*
1903		Wheeler, Maude (N. W.)
1891		White, Laura M. (Phila.)
1876	*m*	Whiting, Olive *(Bishop)*
1896	*m*	Widdifield, Flora M. *(Chew)*
1892		Wilkinson, Lydia A. (Des M.)
1901	*m*	Williams, Christina *(Hall)*
1900		Williams, Mary E. (Phila.)
1896	*m*	Wilson, Fannie C. *(Alexander)*
1889		Wilson, Frances O. (Des M.)
1889	*m*	Wilson, Mary E. *(Buchanan)*
1894		Wilson, Minnie E. (N. W.)
1894		Wilson, Mary E. (N. W.)
1901		Winslow, Anna S. (Topeka)
1885		Wisner, Julia E. (Cinn.)
1903		Wood, Bertha L. (Phila.)
1892		Wood, Catherine (Des M.)
1889		Wood, Elsie (N. Y.)
1901		Woods, Grace W. (N. W.)
1880	*d*	Woodworth, Kate *(Quinn)*
1871	*d*	Woolston, Beulah
1878	*d*	Woolston, Henrietta, M. D.
1871	*r*	Woolston, Sarah H.
1895		Wright, Laura S. (N. W.)
1880	*r*	Yates, Elizabeth U.
1892		Young, Effie G. (N. E.)
1897		Young, Mariana (Cinn.)
1898	*d*	Zentmire, Cora *(Brewster)*

Missionaries	436
Medical	55
Married	88
Retired	57
Deceased	35

Real Estate

BELONGING TO THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

NORTH INDIA CONFERENCE

Almorah—Epworth Sanitarium	$ 2,830.00
Bareilly Hospital	13,000.00
" Orphanage	11,000.00
Bhot	1,000.00
Bijnour—Boarding School	3,000.00
Budaon	5,650.00
Gonda	2,500.00
Hardoi—Boarding Home	3,000.00
Lucknow—College, Home, etc.	56,600.00
Moradabad	9,500.00
Naini Tal—Boarding School	26,600.00
Pauri—Boarding School and Orphanage	11,000.00
Pithoragarh—Boarding School and Woman's Home	6,441.00
Shajahanpur—Bidwell Memorial School and Bungalow	7,000.00
Sitapur—Boarding School	8,801.00
Total	$167,922.00

NORTH WEST INDIA

Agra—Medical Home	$ 2,720.00
Ajmer—Boarding School and Marks Hall	13,335.00
Aligarh—Louisa Soule's Orphange	12,528.00
Brindaban—Mabel Calder Home and Dispensary	4,600.00
Cawnpore—Hudson Hall and English School	32,000.00
Meerut—Howard Plested Memorial School	10,860.00
Muttra—Blackstone Institute	16,800.00
Phalera—Orphanage and industrial School	7,600.00
Total	$100,443.00

SOUTH INDIA

Haiderabad—Stanley Home	$10,000.00
" Zenana Home	6,000.00
Kolar—Wm. Gamble Deaconess Home	5,000.00
" Orphanage and Darby Hall	5,000.00
" Widows' Home	2,103.00
Madras—Harriet Bond Skidmore School, Baltimore Memorial Home and Northwestern Memorial Home	33,333.00
Raipur	500,00
Sironcha—Mary J. Clark Memorial	6,800.00
Vicarabad	1,000.00
Total	$69,736.00

BOMBAY

Baroda—Orphanage	$2,000.00
Bombay—Boarding School and Home	25,000.00
Khandwa	500.00
Jabalpur—Orphanage and Boarding School	12,000.00
" Deaconess Home	5,000.00
Total	$44,500.00

BENGAL

Asansol—Widows' Home	$1,500.00
" Evangelistic Home	1,000.00
Darjeeling—Queen's Hill School (Crandon Hall, The Repose, Almira Hall and Pierce Building)	33,000.00
Muzaffurpur—Dispensary	3,516.00
Total	$39,016.00

BURMA

Rangoon—High School	$20,000.00
" Charlotte O'Neal Institute	20,000.00
Pegu—Mission	150.00
Total	$40,150.00

MALAYSIA

Kuala Lumpur—School	$15,000.00
Penang	7,000.00
Singapore—Mary C. Nind Home	25,000.00
" School	7,500.00
Taiping—School	10,000.00
Total	$64,500.00

NORTH CHINA

Peking	$19,000.00
Tientsin—Isabel Fisher Hospital, etc.	19,000.00
Tsun Hua	8,000.00
Total	$46,000.00

CENTRAL CHINA

Chin Kiang—Home, School and Hospital	$13,316.00
Kiu Kiang—Elizabeth S. Danforth Hospital	4,000.00
Nan Chang	7,000.00
Nan King—Home and School	7,000.00
Total	$31,316.00

WEST CHINA

Chung King—Home	$4,000.00
" School	2,000.00
" Wm. A. Gamble Hospital	5,000.00
Pine Ridge Bungalow	50.00
Total	$11,050.00

FOO CHOW

Foochow—Boarding School and Residence	$14,000.00
" Woman's School and Residence	4,500.00
" Two Hospitals and Residence	11,100.00
" Mary E. Crook Memorial Orphanage	3,100.00
Hok Chiang—School	4,500.00
Ku Cheng—School	3,950.00
" Woman's Training School	2,250.00
" School Compound	722.00
Total	$44,122.00

HING HUA

Hing Hua—Juliet Turner Memorial School	$3,300.00
" Hamilton Boarding School	8,500.00
" Home	5,500.00
" Day School and Bible Women's Home	500.00
Anton	513.00
Sieng Iu—Isabel Hart Memorial School	5,400.00
" Frieda Heim Woman's Training School	2,000.00
Total	$25,713.00

KOREA

Seoul—Home and School	$13,000.00
" Dispensary	600.00
" East Gate, Scranton Home	2,000.00
" " Dispensary	300.00
" " Baldwin Chapel	250.00
Pyeng Yang—Home, Hospital and Dispensary	1,500.00
Total	$17,650.00

NORTH JAPAN

Hakodate—School and Home	$13,500.00
Hirosaki	1,000.00
Total	$14,500.00

CENTRAL JAPAN

Nagoya	$8,600.00
Sendai—Ladies Home	5,000.00
Tokyo—Industrial School	3,000.00
" Aoyama	20,000.00
" Tsukiji	8,500.00
" Asakusa Day School	500.00
Yokohama—Maud E. Simons Memorial	4,000.00
" Higgins Memorial Home and Training School	12,500.00
" Yamabukicho—School	1,200.00
" Kanagawa—Kindergarten	50.00
" Don Tarbore School	200.00
Total	$63.550.00

SOUTH JAPAN

Fukuoko	$12,000.00
Koga—Orphanage	5 000.00
Nagasaki—Home and School	50,000.00
Total	$67,000.00

MEXICO

Guanjauato—School	$10,000.00
Mexico City—Orphanage	50,000.00
Miraflores—School	1,000.00
Pachuca—School	20,000.00
Puebla—Normal Institute	25,000.00
Total	$106,000.00

SOUTH AMERICA

Montevideo—School and Home	$22,700.00
Rosario—Home	9,300.00
Total	$32,000.00

BULGARIA

Lovetch—School and Home	$6,500.00

ITALY

Rome—Crandon Hall	$75,000.00
" Home	20,000.00
Total	$95,000.00

SUMMARY

North India Conference	$167,922.00
North West India	100,443.00
South India	69,736.00
Bombay	44,509.09
Bengal	39,016.00
Burma	40,150.00
Malaysia	64,500.00
North China	46,000.00
Central China	31,316.00

West China	$11,050.00
Foochow	44,122.00
Hing Hua	25,713.00
Korea	17,650.00
North Japan	14,500.00
Central Japan	63,550.00
South Japan	67,000.00
Mexico	106,000.00
South America	32,000.00
Bulgaria	6,500.00
Italy	95,000.00
Total	$1,086,668.00

Committee on Titles of Real Estate:

MRS. WM. B. DAVIS,
MRS. CYRUS D. FOSS.

Constitution

OF THE

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

This organization shall be called "THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH."

ARTICLE II.—PURPOSE.

The purpose of this Society is to engage and unite the efforts of Christian women in sending missionaries to the women in foreign mission fields of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and in supporting them and native Christian teachers and Bible readers in those fields and all forms of work carried on by the Society.

ARTICLE III.—MEMBERSHIP.

The payment of one dollar annually shall constitute Membership, and twenty dollars Life-Membership. Any person paying one hundred dollars shall become a Manager for Life, and the contribution of three hundred dollars shall constitute the donor a Patron for life.

ARTICLE IV.—ORGANIZATION.

The organization of this Society shall consist of a General Executive Committee, Co-ordinate Branches, District Associations, Auxiliary Societies, to be constituted and limited as laid down in subsequent articles.

ARTICLE V.—GENERAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

SECTION 1. The management and general administration of the affairs of the Society shall be vested in a General Executive Committee consisting of a President, Recording Secretary, General Treasurer, the Corresponding Secretary and two delegates from each Branch, the Literature Committee, Secretary of German work and the

Secretary of Scandinavian work. The President, Recording Secretary, General Treasurer, and Secretaries of German and Scandinavian Work shall be elected annually by the General Executive Committee. The two delegates and reserves shall be elected at the Branch Annual Meetings. Said committee shall meet in Boston, the third Wednesday in April, 1870, and annually, or oftener, thereafter, at such time and place as the General Executive Committee shall annually determine.

SECTION 2. The duties of the General Executive Committee shall be:

First. To take into consideration the interests and demands of the entire work of the Society as presented in the report of the Branch Corresponding Secretaries, and in the estimates of the needs of mission fields; to ascertain the financial condition of the Society; to appropriate its money in accordance with the purposes and method therein indicated; to devise means for carrying forward the work of the Society; fixing the amounts to be raised; employing new missionaries, designating their field of labor, examining the reports of those already employed, and arranging with the several branches the work to be undertaken by each.

Second. To transact any other business that the interests of the Society may demand, provided all the plans and directions of the committee shall be in harmony with the provisions of the Constitution.

ARTICLE VI.—PERMANENT COMMITTEES OF WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

REFERENCE COMMITTEE.

1. The Committee of Reference shall be composed of the Branch Corresponding Secretaries.

2. It shall meet immediately after the adjournment of the General Executive Committee, and organize by the election of a Chairman and Secretary.

3. All cases of emergency that would come before the General Executive Committee, arising in the interim of its sessions, shall be submitted to this committee, and decided by a majority vote.

4. The Chairman shall send each resolution that is submitted to the committee to each member, and when all have returned their votes, the Recording Secretary shall declare the result, and record both resolutions and votes.

5. The committee shall present a full report of its action during the year to the General Executive Committee for approval and permanent record.

6. This committee shall hold a semi-annual meeting, at such time and place as shall be designated by the Chairman and Secretary. The expenses of this meeting shall be paid from the general treasury.

CONSTITUTIONAL PUBLICATION COMMITTEE.

1. This committee shall be composed of the Branch Corresponding Secretaries.

2. It shall meet and organize immediately after the adjournment of the General Executive Committee, by the election of a Chairman and Secretary.

3. All cases of emergency concerning publications, arising in the interim of the sessions of the General Executive Committee, shall be submitted to the Constitutional Publication Committee, and the case shall be decided by the majority vote.

4. This committee shall take charge of the missionary periodicals of the Society and arrange for the publication of an annual report of the work of the Society, and shall have supervision of all business concerning the publications. This committee shall report annually to the General Executive Committee.

5. The publisher shall give the Chairman an itemized report of the receipts and expenditures of the periodicals properly audited, by the first of October. If she finds it necessary to deviate from the published instructions of the General Executive Committee, she shall lay the matter before this committee, and be subject to its direction. She shall report semi-annually to the Constitutional Publication Committee.

6. A committee of three shall be appointed annually by the Constitutional Publication Committee, to whom shall be intrusted the investment and control of the funds of these publications.

7. The publisher shall commence and close her financial year with October 1.

8. If the office of editor, publisher or member of Literature Committee becomes vacant during the year this committee shall have the power to fill the vacancy.

LITERATURE COMMITTEE.

There shall be a Literature Committee of three whose duty it shall be to provide all the literature of the Society, except the periodicals and General Executive Committee's report.

ARTICLE VII.—CO-ORDINATE BRANCHES.

SECTION I. Co-ordinate Branches of this Society on their acceptance of this relationship under the provisions of the Constitution, may be organized in accordance with the following general plan for districting the territory of the Church.

NAME.	STATES INCLUDED.	HEADQUARTERS.
New England Branch,	New England States.	Boston, Mass.
New York Branch,	New York, New Jersey.	New York, N. Y.
Philadelphia Branch,	Pennsylvania and Delaware.	Philadelphia, Pa.
Baltimore Branch,	Maryland, District of Columbia, Eastern Virginia, N. and S. Carolina, Georgia and Florida.	Baltimore, Md.
Cincinnati Branch,	Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee.	Cincinnati, O.
Northwestern Branch,	Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin.	Chicago, Ill.
Des Moines Branch,	Iowa, Missouri, Arkansas and Louisiana.	Des Moines, Iowa.
Minneapolis Branch,	Minnesota, North and South Dakota.	Minneapolis, Minn.
Topeka Branch,	Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma.	Topeka, Kan.
Pacific Branch,	California, Nevada, Arizona, and Hawaii.	Los Angeles, Cal.
Columbia River Branch,	Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon.	Portland, Ore.

This plan, however, may be changed by an affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members of the General Executive Committee present at any annual meeting of the same.

SEC. 2. The officers of each Branch shall consist of a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, an Auditor and such other officers as shall be necessary for the efficient work of the Branch. These with the exception of Auditor, shall constitute an Executive Committee for the administration of the affairs of the Branch, nine of whom shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. These officers shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Branch, and shall continue in office until others are chosen in their stead.

SEC. 3. The Executive Committee shall have supervision of the work assigned to the Branch by the General Executive Committee, provide for all the needs, and receive reports from all forms of work carried on by the Society, who, by the plan of the General Executive Committee, are to be supported by the Branch.

SEC. 4. No Branch shall project new work, or undertake the support of new missionaries, except by the direction or with the approval of the General Executive Committee.

SEC. 5. Each Branch may make such By-Laws as may be deemed necessary to its efficiency, not inconsistent with this Constitution.

ARTICLE VIII.—DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

District Associations shall be formed wherever practicable; said associations to have supervision of all auxiliaries within their limits.

ARTICLE IX.—AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

Any number of women who shall contribute annually may form a society auxiliary to that Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, within whose prescribed territorial limits they may reside, by appointing a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, and Supervisor of Children's work, who together shall constitute a local Executive Committee.

ARTICLE X.—RELATING TO THE MISSIONARY AUTHORITIES OF THE CHURCH.

SEC. 1. This Society shall work in harmony with and under the supervision of the authorities of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The appointment, recall, and remuneration of missionaries, and the designation of their fields of labor shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Managers of the Missionary

Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and annual appropriations to mission fields shall be submitted for revision and approval to the General Missionary Committee of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

SEC. 2. All missionaries sent out by this Society shall labor under the direction of the particular Conference or Mission of the Church in which they may be severally employed. They shall be annually appointed by the President of the Conference or Mission, and shall be subject to the same rules of removal that govern the other missionaries.

SEC. 3. All the work of the Woman's Society in foreign lands shall be under the direction of the Conferences or Missions and their committees in exactly the same manner as the work of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Superintendent or Presiding Elder having the same relation to the work and the person in charge of it that he would have were it a work in the charge of any member of the Conference or Mission.

SEC. 4. The funds of the Society shall not be raised by collections or subscriptions taken during any of our regular church services, nor in any Sunday-School, but shall be raised by such methods as the Constitution of the Society shall provide, none of which shall interfere with the contributions of our people and Sunday-Schools for the treasury of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church; and the amount so collected shall be reported by the pastor to the annual Conference, and be entered in a column among the benevolent collections in the Annual and General minutes.

SEC. 5. Section 4 of this Article shall not be so interpreted as to prevent the women from taking collections in meetings convened in the interests of their societies; nor from securing memberships and life memberships in audiences where their work is represented, nor from holding festivals, or arranging lectures in the interest of their work.

ARTICLE XI.—CHANGE OF CONSTITUTION.

This Constitution may be changed at any annual meeting of the General Executive Committee, by a three-fourths vote of those present and voting, notice of the proposed change having been given at the previous annual meeting; but Article X shall not be changed except with the concurrence of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

By-Laws

OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

I.—DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society.

2. The Recording Secretary shall keep a full record of all proceedings of the General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and place the same in the safe of the Publication Office.

She shall present at the anniversary of the Society a report of the year's work. She shall also forward to our foreign treasurers, as soon as practicable after adjournment of the General Executive Committee, a copy of the appropriations for each mission.

II.—BRANCH CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES.

1. The Branch Corresponding Secretaries shall superintend all the interests of their respective Branches; conduct the correspondence of the Society with foreign missionaries; be present at all Branch, annual, and quarterly meetings, and present a quarterly report of the work of the Branch, and give to the public, or direct to be given, all communications and plans of the business of their respective Branches.

2. Each Corresponding Secretary shall be required to furnish in her report to the General Executive Committee the following items: Number of Auxiliary Societies, members, life members, honorary patrons and managers, subscribers to the *Woman's Missionary Friend* and the receipts of the Treasurer. In her report of the foreign work she shall include the number of missionaries, Bible readers, boarding schools, and orphans supported by her Branch.

III.—BRANCH TREASURERS.

1. Branch Treasurers shall be required to publish quarterly in the *Woman's Missionary Friend* their reports of moneys received.

2. The financial year of the Society shall commence October 1. Branch Treasurers will close their accounts for the year by September 30.